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January 21st, 1905 .

Miss Grace E. Burright,

Saugli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Burright:-

Your letter of December 15th was received Monday a week ago, and was laid before the Board at its meeting on Monday of this week, and the following action was taken:

Miss Grace Burright, formerly of the Western India Mission, whose resignation was accepted November 7th, 1904, having asked permission to withdraw her resignation and to be re-instated as a member of the Mission, it was voted to refer her letter to the Western India Mission with power, the Board holding itself ready to accept the judgment of the Mission.

Accordingly we have called to the Mission the word "Caesposum," which means according to the Mission Code Book in the hands of the Mission officials, "Referred to the Mission with power."

I can sympathize with and appreciate your experience, and trust that had as it has been for you, it may have resulted now in the clearing up of all confusion in your own mind, so that you will be able to go on with your work with a perfectly happy adjustment to your associates, and real joy and peace.

Some time ago we received an inquiry from your relatives in Parkersburg, Ohio, asking whether you had resigned, and I wrote telling them that you had done so, and shall write now telling them of your withdrawal of your resignation, and that the matter has been left with the Western India Mission to adjust. I have no doubt from the kindly letters which have come regarding you, that the course which I have taken is sympathetic and favorable, and I trust that the course of your withdrawal of your resignation, <sup>and</sup> of which you speak in such warm terms, may serve to set your mind completely at rest in the continuance of your relations with our Board.

It will be a pleasure to hear from you at any time, and I hope my letter will be of some service to you in the good service.

Very sincerely your friend,



December 30th, 1904,

Dr. W. J. Wanless,  
38 Lansdown Avenue,  
Toronto, Canada.

My Dear Dr. Wanless:-

Your good letter of the 26th is just received. First, with reference to Dr. Heston's location at Missis, I would say that the Minutes have not yet come, and there will probably be disinclination to take up the question of Dr. Heston's work until the Minutes are here. The matter has been referred to in a number of Mission letters. I read you what Mr. Wiley said. It is easy to see the force of your suggestion, which I will present in connection with the Mission action on Dr. Heston.

It certainly would be well for Cohen to send in his application now.

The estimates for the new year have not come to us yet, but I see no objection to your mentioning the matter to individuals in the Bryn Mawr church, and I certainly hope that the funds may be provided.

We sure to have some night when you are here in February to spend at Englewood. Mrs. Spear will want to see you again, and that will give us a chance for a good quiet talk out of the office.

With warm regards to Mrs. Wanless and yourself, and best wishes for a Happy New Year,

Your sincere friend,

December 21st, 1906

Miss A. Foster,

Mrs. J. Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Foster:-

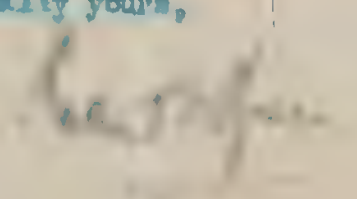
Your letter, telling of your arduous plans, came some time ago. I have delayed writing until I could bring the matter up in Council and secure approval of your plan. - This of course was at once and cordially given, the Board providing, as you know, for just such an arrangement as this when it is proposed and there are no valid reasons against it. I hope you may have a very happy visit in Ireland, and shall look forward with pleasure to seeing you at the end of the summer when you complete your journey to the United States.

I have given Mr. Hand a memorandum of your address in Ireland, to which you wish your allowance for May, June and July to be sent. I hope you may have a thoroughly pleasant voyage and a good rest on the way in your old home. I know how much you need such a rest, and am glad that the time has come when you are to have it. I trust that the work of the winter is not going to be too heavy, and that these last months of your first term of service may be the best months in spiritual fruitage of all that you have spent in India.

The Minutes of the annual meeting have not yet come, although a number of letters which have come have given intimations of various notions taken at the meeting. I am glad it was such a good meeting, and trust that the spiritual influences of it may extend through the whole year.

With kind regards, and heartfelt appreciation of all the strong and faithful work which you have done, I am,

Very cordially yours,





Miss Grace E. Wilder,  
Young Women's Christian Association House,  
Clevedon, Somerset, England.

My Dear Miss Wilder:-

I do indeed rejoice with you in your return to India this winter. I have the most confidence in Dr. Taylor, as well as a great love for him, and I am glad that at last he consents to your going. I have told your Mother of this and have written also to Dr. Atterbury. I enclose herewith the necessary papers showing that you and your Mother are missionaries of our Church, and that the necessary sacrifice to get you the missionary rebate. You will have a good amount of money from the Western India Mission for your journey, so that they will be able to make whatever preparations should be made for your comfort when you arrive.

With warm regards to your Mother and yourself from Mr. Stearns and loving wishes for your good health and God's blessing on your life in India,

I am,

Your sincere friend,

February 7th, 1905.

It is hereby certified that Miss Grace E. Wilder and her Mother, Mrs. G. Wilder, are members of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. They are on their way back to the Western India Mission, of which they are members. They are entitled to any rebates or concessions which it is customary to grant to missionaries.

*W. H. Miller*  
Secretary.





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With warm regards,

Very sincerely,

Robert P. ...

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To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:-

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting were received on the fourteenth of the month, just in time for consideration and presentation at the meeting of the Board on February 20th. I think that all the actions of the Mission calling for the attention of the Board were taken up by it. Letters were received from members of the Mission more than two months ago, with reference to various actions taken at the Mission Meeting, but the Minutes of the meeting not being at hand, it was deemed wise to await their receipt, save in the case of Mr. Jolly's furlough, regarding which it was desirable of course that he and the Mission should know whether his return this spring was approved. The action was accordingly taken at once, and as requested by Mr. Jolly, a cable was sent, stating that the furlough had been granted.

Action had already been taken also before the Minutes were received, with reference to the duties of the Property Committee and of the Attorney of the Board in the various Missions. The very full correspondence on the subject was carefully considered by the Finance Committee, which took up the question of course as a general question affecting all the Missions and involving principles applicable to each. You will already have received the printed statement containing the action of the Board on December 5th, sent to you by Mr. Hand. I enclose herewith, however, an additional copy for each Station. I think that this action of the Board, taken on recommendation of the Finance Committee, and approved as you see with a view to all the Missions, covers the inquiry of the India Mission.

We were very sorry to hear of the difficulties that have arisen in connection with the Land Laws, and earnestly trust that the reply of the Government of India to the Memorial already before it, may be favorable. Mr. Graham's very full letters on the subject I have given to Mr. Hand; the Finance Committee,



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which is charged with the duty of caring for all titles and property interests of the Board.

The recommendations of the Auditing Committee, Nos. 2, 3 and 4, on Page 6, of the Minutes, have all been considered, but Mr. Hand states that he has already by the authority of the Board, adjusted the accounts of the Western India Mission for the last fiscal year, clearing off the excess expenditures as requested by the Board, by the use of the savings in other Classes. By this time he will doubtless have reported to the Mission Treasurer this final adjustment of the accounts of the last year.

I was very glad to hear of Miss Brown's sketch of the Life of Satoba, translated into Marathi by Mr. Soller. Will the book also be published in English? It seems to me the life of this godly man ought to be available for English readers as well as for readers of Marathi.

The action of the Mission with reference to the Executive Committee in reply to the Board's inquiry on the subject, will be considered in connection with similar replies from the other Missions. I am glad that the Mission has taken the action that it has with reference to the establishment of an Executive Committee in accordance with the authority already given by the Manual. I think almost every Mission that has made the experiment of such an Executive Committee has adopted it as a part of its policy, and the business in many of the Missions has undoubtedly been facilitated and made more efficient in this way. I was very much interested in the suggestion of the Mission in its reply to the Board's inquiry, that it would be glad if the Board would accord to the Mission "the right to pay taxes in any class from receipts on the field or from balances reverting to the tax." A similar suggestion was made some time ago by the West Japan Mission and perhaps I might quote the action taken by the Board, and a few explanatory words written to the West Japan Mission at the time:

I was greatly interested, also, in the reply of the Mission to the Chairman the subject of the Executive Committee, and the two questions of location of the Mission's power in the hands of such a Committee, and of transferring to the Mission any authority still reserved by the Board. I quote



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It follows from the records of the Board meeting:

The Board heard with much interest of the careful consideration by the West Japan Mission, of the Board's circular on the subject of an Executive Committee, and it took under consideration the suggestion of the Mission with reference to the transfer to the Mission of some authorities reserved in the Manual to the Board. With reference to the suggestion that the period during which transfers within the appropriations should be extended from January 31st to the end of the year, it was pointed out to the Mission, that experience had shown that if such an adjustment were not made by January 31st, the risks of over-expenditure at the end of the year were greatly increased: that if the surplus with which some Missions closed the year were placed at the disposal of such Missions, the Board would have no fund with which to meet the deficits incurred by the Missions, and that it is upon these surpluses that the Board has to rely to meet the emergency appropriations which have to be made during the year. With reference to the Mission's suggestion that all rent accruing from Mission property should be at the Mission's disposal, and that it should have full right to make any transfers of property, except where appropriations are needed, it was voted to state to the Mission that the Board felt it was wiser to adhere to its traditional policy of regarding all Mission properties as vested not in the several Missions, but in the Church as a whole, as represented by the Board, and that the income from such properties should accrue to all the Missions, and that the investment of funds in property in any particular Mission was not considered as necessarily a permanent appropriation of those funds to the advantage of that one Mission.

The proposal with reference to the extension of the liberty of transfer to the end of the fiscal year is not a new one. It has been several times considered by the Board, and each time the Board has felt that it was wise to adhere to the present plan. Under the old Manual of 1894, the right of transfer was given for only six months or more, until January 31st; but the Board has felt that any further extension would be perilous. Even as it is, many Missions show over-expenditures. They incur liabilities before January 31st, expecting to have savings in the appropriations to meet these, and find at the end of the year that the savings were inadequate. To postpone a final determination of the budget of the year until the end of the year, would involve a risk not only, but, as the Board feels, a certainty of more and larger deficits. As to allowing the Mission to retain any surplus of the appropriations, such a proposition ought to involve also the assumption by each Mission of responsibility for any deficits. As at present, the surplus of one Mission goes to meet the deficit of another. The next year the roles may be reversed between them. Furthermore, as pointed out in the action of the Board, there are many special appropriations which have to be added during the year, and since the Board appropriated at the beginning of the year its entire prospective income, unless the income of the Board exceeds its forecast, the only way in which to meet the unanticipated obligations, is to set over against them the savings of the year.

The real relief from all these financial troubles is to be found in an increase in the Church's contributions, so as to make it possible for the board to provide appropriations adequate to the necessities of the Missions."

The requests of the Mission for authority to use receipts at Ratnagiri and Sangli, was presented to the Board, and I quote the following from its records:

It was voted that, in the absence of any explanation as to the reasons for the Mission's request, the Board felt unable to grant the unlimited



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authority asked for by the Western India Mission, to use this year the receipts and contributions at Ratnagiri and Sangli.

Perhaps the reference in each case, however, is to the specific instances of the building for sick children at Ratnagiri, and the additional rooms for the industrial school at Sangli. Both of these, I am glad to report, have been approved by the Board, as the following actions will show:

Rev. John Jolly of the Western India Mission, under date of December 23rd, forwards plans for two additional rooms for the industrial school. He states that the funds necessary for this improvement have been secured through friends in India and Europe. The Committee recommends that this improvement be authorized.

It was voted to approve the request of the Western India Mission for the erection at Ratnagiri, of a small building for the isolation of children of the orphanage having contagious diseases, the cost of the building having been provided on the field.

The Mission certainly does urgently need new bungalows, in view of the large increase in its force over the capacity of the available buildings. I hope that something may be done in the way of provision for new bungalows this coming year. The receipts of the year to date have been encouraging, but it is still uncertain as to how much likelihood there will be of new property appropriations for next year.

The Minute of the Mission regarding the proposed college was laid before the Board, and received considerable attention. Mr. Van Norden was present at the meeting. He has always had misgivings regarding the educational work, and represents I should say the extreme anti-education view. It is a good thing to have it stated clearly in the Board, and Mr. Van Norden is I think, in his radical objection to such institutions as the Forman Christian College, alone among the members of the Board. After he had clearly and forcefully represented that view, which he always does in excellent spirit, the following Minute was adopted by the Board:

The Board heard with interest of the discussion in the Western India Mission Meeting, of the establishment of a Christian College in the Marathi country, to be carried on cooperatively by some of the Missions at work in this section of India. It was voted to express to the Mission, the Board's sympathy with the proposal, if further deliberation and conference with other Missions indicate that the time is ripe for it. Before any final action is taken, however, and before any appeal is made to individuals in the United States for



**North India Mission, B.**

Financial support, the Board would be glad to have the Mission present the matter again with some detailed outline of its scheme.

The creation of an addition to the Ratnagiri church building for the accommodation of the Sunday school, without cost to the Board, a fund having been provided by the church and individuals, was of course approved.

The following action was taken with reference to the Fort School.

It was voted to approve of the restoration to Sangli State of the land on which the Fort school is now situated, and also the transfer of the school house, on such terms as may be agreed upon.

The determination of the settlement of the terms of the transfer of the school house was left to the Mission.

The definite replies of the Mission to the inquiries as to Dr. Heston and the 3 Settlement, were laid before the Board, and it was voted to transfer Dr. Heston, as requested by the Mission, from the Village Settlement to the regular staff of the Mission, his salary to be that of the other single women of the Mission, namely, \$540., and this change to date from May 1st, 1905, and the new appropriations will be so made out.

With reference to the salaries of single men, I would say that a communication from the Ferrukhabad Mission, or the North India Mission, as it has asked to be called henceforth, on the same subject, has been received, and the Board took the following action:

A communication from the North India Mission, with reference to the salaries of single men and married men whose families are in the United States, was laid before the Board, and it was voted to make the salaries of such missionaries in India, three-fifths the salary of a married man, in accordance with the corresponding arrangement already made in the case of the Korea and East and West Szechuan Missions.

No facts or figures as to living expenses have been laid before the Board which have shown it that a salary of \$720. in India is needed by single men. If it can be shown that such a salary is needed, I am confident that the Board would provide it. And this would seem to be the sort of question that could be easily settled mathematically. All the information which the Board has been able to get from individuals regarding the actual figures, leads it to feel that the salary provided by the action just taken, would be sufficient for the needs of single



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in India. I earnestly hope that it may prove so.

Dr. Goheen has sent in his application for appointment, but all the papers are not complete. I trust that nothing may interfere with his appointment and assignment to the Western India Mission, and wish it might be possible to get the two ordained men desired by the Mission beside. There are so many vacancies, however, caused by death and resignation, which will need first to be filled, that it is as yet uncertain as to how many missionaries will be available to meet the other calls.

The report of the Mission with reference to the sanitarium allowance, and the clear letter on the subject forwarded from the Mission Meeting by the Secretary, were laid before the Board, and the following action, which simply adopts the phraseology quoted in a paragraph of the letter of the Mission, was taken by the Board:

It was voted to grant the request of the Western India Mission, that those members of the Mission not able to be accommodated in the Mission bungalows, be allowed to spend an amount equivalent to the grant for sanitarium rental, for rent or travel according to individual preference.

As the Mission has requested, the appropriations for the Village Settlement will be separated from the regular appropriations of the Mission.

The sentiment of the Mission with reference to the joint treasurership for the three Missions in India, to have his office in Bombay, will be considered by the Finance Committee in dealing with this important question.

Mr. Converse expresses his desire to provide the hostel, latrines and the lighting plant for the hospital at Miraj, and his generous proposal will be considered by the Board at its next meeting, and I have no doubt will be accepted. This will provide for two of the items asked for in the Mission's list of new property. I wish the money might be provided within the regular appropriations for the other items further on the list.

Dr. Wanless has been doing excellent work in speaking among the churches. He expects to leave early in the summer, and hopes to reach India by the first of July.

In January, a letter came from Miss Enright, asking the Board to recon-



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sider its action in accepting her resignation, and to approve of her continuing in the Mission. As she requested, a cablegram expressing the Board's mind, the one word "Caesopsum" from the Mission Code was sent, indicating that the matter was referred to the Mission, and the Board would accept its judgment.

I suppose the Mission noticed that the estimate sheets used this year are radically different from those hitherto used, and that the consequence will be that the appropriation sheets when you get them back from the Board, will contain only Column I, and not all the items "Old," "Restored and New" which have hitherto been blanketed in together on the appropriation sheets, and then subjected to a reduction. Hereafter, the appropriation sheets will not show any reduction, unless there has been an actual cut, not on what is asked for for the year, but on what was granted for the preceding year. I think this will simplify matters very greatly, as what you speak of as a "cut" will already have been adjusted at the Mission Meeting in making out the estimates, the first column of which shows just how the Mission will spend, subject of course to its right of transfer under the Manual, the amount which it received for the preceding year.

Enough copies of the new edition of the Manual were sent you some time ago, to supply each man and each single woman, save the missionaries appointed this year, who have been supplied here. Will you please see that these copies have been put in each one's hands? There is little new in the Manual that has not already been communicated to the Mission from time to time, and we would suggest that each missionary read it through carefully, and keep it at hand for reference.

Dr. Hester and Miss Giles have both written with reference to the Mission's request for a special appropriation for medical allowance for the Village Settlement, stating that 100 Rupees would probably suffice. A special grant of this amount has been made.

Mrs. Havens has written with reference to the appropriation for a personal teacher made for her, and asking whether it is not a mistake, in view of the fact that such items have not been provided for the Village Settlement. A noti-



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Resolution was sent from the treasurer's office in connection with similar notifications as to new missionaries, and the item has been cancelled; as a member of the Settlement, the same provisions should be made for Mrs. Havens as for the others.

Miss Giles has written with reference to a new site for the Settlement, asking whether the Board would approve of its location at Kashegon, or if that is unavailable, Herla. I believe the matter has been laid before the Property Committee and the Mission. Miss Giles asks whether the Board would approve of either of these places for the Settlement work, and requested that we should cable a reply. The same word has been sent that was sent in reply to Miss Enright's letter regarding her resignation, namely, "Caesposum," signifying that the matter was left to the judgment of the Mission, with whose decision the Board will be satisfied.

The regular estimate sheets from the Mission have not yet been received, and I have wondered whether the printed estimates in the pamphlet containing the Minutes are intended to take the place of the other sheets. We can make experiment this year in working over the estimates to see whether this printed form will suffice for the working purposes here. If so, it may save sending the large sheets out. Probably, however, the latter are on their way, so that we will have them uniform with the estimates from other Missions.

The revised copy of the Constitution and Rules was received some time ago. I have read it through with the greatest interest, marking the various passages in it. The concluding section entitled "Concerning Indian Christians" is well worth quoting.

A special appropriation of \$44.16, has been made for the child of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, born on November 28th.

Miss Wilder writes that she and her Mother are expecting to start back for India, and have probably already started, Dr. Howard Taylor having given a medical certificate approving of their doing so.

I would report the following action of the Board with reference to the



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home allowance, which I think will meet with your approval. It will involve, perhaps, an additional annual expenditure of about \$5000. Gold, which it is hoped the increased contributions from the Church will meet, without putting any further in on the already inadequate grants for native work:

It was voted to amend Paragraph 23, of the Manual, by making the home allowance of furloughed missionaries, \$1200. a year for a married man, and \$500. for an unmarried missionary, the increase to take effect at the beginning of the next fiscal year.

I would report what perhaps you have already learned through the Church papers, that the Rev. Howard Agnew Johnson, D. D., who has been pastor of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church here, is to visit a number of the Missions as the representative of the General Assembly's Committee on Evangelistic Work. I enclose a printed circular letter addressed to the Missionaries in the Presbyterian Church stationed in the various parts of Asia, signed by Dr. John H. Converse, the Chairman of the Committee, the Rev. John W. Chapman, D. D., the Secretary, which will give full explanation of the origin and purpose of Dr. Johnston's tour. Dr. Johnston is not connected in any way with our Board, and goes not as its representative, but as the representative of the General Assembly's Evangelistic Committee, our Board of course cordially cooperating with the Assembly's Committee in its purposes. Dr. Johnston has been very useful here at home as many of you know, in the teaching of Bible Classes, and especially through his books on the training of workers. He is very anxious that the purpose of his visit should not be misunderstood, and that he should be thought of as going out to instruct in evangelistic work the missionaries who have had more experience in it, and who are giving their lives to it. He is simply going to carry the greetings of the Evangelistic Committee, and to be of whatever help he can in service and conference with the missionaries, and as far as they may think wise, with Christian workers and others. Mrs. Johnston is to accompany him. She is the daughter of the Hon. Mr. Hubbard of Indianapolis, so long known as one of the prominent business men of that city, an elder in the Second Presbyterian Church, and a generous giver to Foreign Missions. She is the sister,



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moreover, of the wife of the Rev. Francis Monfort, D. D., the editor of The Herald and Presbyter. Both Dr. and Mrs. Johnston are in warm sympathy with foreign missionary work. I know that you will most cordially welcome them; and I am sure that their visit will be a great pleasure to you. Dr. and Mrs. Johnston expect to have about two months in India, and hope to reach Bombay about the last day of November.

It would be very helpful and in the line with the Evangelistic Committee's purpose for Dr. Johnston's tour, if you could arrange a series of Conferences both with the missionaries at the various Stations, and with the native pastors, helpers, teachers and students. I suggest that some of the members of the Mission write at once to Dr. Johnston, addressing him corner Madison Avenue and 73rd Street, New York City, and giving him such suggestions for his stay as may be useful. Perhaps it might be well if the Officers of the Mission or some Committee would take up the matter and plan for Dr. Johnston's visit. Before making too definite arrangements, perhaps it would be well to send any suggestions to him, and to get from him some indication of what he would be able to do in view of the Mission's suggestions.

The Board heard with great rejoicing the happy consummation of the union with the Presbyterian Churches in India. I hope the United Presbyterians and any other affiliated Churches will soon become organically one with the new Church, and that <sup>its</sup> ~~this~~ National character may help to produce in the Church a spirit of real independence, and a new sense of responsibility for the evangelization of India.

I have just been reading a sermon of Campbell Morgan's on the Welsh Revival, which he had visited; and I read a few days ago Mr. W. T. Stead's account. It is certainly a wonderful movement, and just such a natural spreading of Christianity as has occurred again and again in the history of the Church. Men who have the love and light glowing within their hearts, speak of it to their neighbors, and they speak of it to their neighbors, and so it goes from heart to heart and from hearth to hearth. The conditions differ in different lands, and

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such general movements are dependent, doubtless, on many things; and yet on a little scale such movements are going on all over the world all the time. Any man that has the light is bound to give it. It is just like any contagious or infectious thing. It goes out from the man who has it, and those with whom he associates inevitably feel it.

With the earnest prayer that all of us may have more of that light in ourselves, and then may give it out to others, and give ourselves up to this as the one great business of our life, our meat and our drink, and with warm regards to all, I am,

Your sincere friend,





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MAR 21, 1907.

Dr. W. J. Wanless,

230 Ashland Boulevard,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. Wanless:

I am very glad to report that at the meeting of the Board yesterday, Dr. Converse's generous offer was accepted and as soon as the money is received, it will be appropriated for the purposes designated.

What a generous and true Christian man he is and what a wonderful thing it would be, if we had only a few more like him.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,

February 18th, 1936.

The Rev. R. C. E. Lardner,

Miraj, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Richardson:-

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter to the Mission, which I send to you as Secretary of the Miraj Station. I hope that you and Mrs. Richardson are both very well, and should prize some time another good letter from you regarding the work in the Station. I especially hope that you may be able to make the evangelistic work at Miraj as powerful as it may be possible to make it, in order to reach the large numbers of people who may be influenced at Miraj in an exceptional way. I have been studying this last year, the lives of Carey and Duff. If you have not studied them specially, I would advise you to do so. Get Smith's Life of Carey, and Smith's Life of Duff. It is wonderful how full each one of those lives were of just the kind of help that we need now, and of the most direct light on everyday problems of missionary work. The one great result which it seems to me one gathers from these lives, is that evangelistic work, and indeed any work, does not do itself. It takes a living, burning soul to do work - the kind of work that wins other souls and wins them to the Kingdom. I know that oftentimes we think that it is a matter of gifts, or of personal temperament; but I do not believe it is true nearly as often as we make it out so. I have been very much interested in reading the last week, articles by the Rev. W. J. Dawson of London, in the Sunday School Times, in which he speaks of his own awakening. He had gone on for years with his work with the great passionate, evangelistic warmth in it being faithfully and efficiently the ordinary work of the ministry, and even some of the more than ordinary work of the ministry. He was a man of great power of soul; and at last this came to him through seeing it in Carey Smith. Mr. Dawson has been over here before, and is here again now, carrying on evangelistic work of this quiet sort inside the churches, seeking not to build up any



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great machinery or to use any advertising methods; but simply to lean upon the living promises and to trust the silent working of the Spirit of God, Who is ready to save men whenever He can get other men already saved who have got the longing in them and the love. The Welsh Revival is sure to stir this impulse with many. I glanced to-day over a most interesting article in a Quaker paper on the Revival as an expression of Quaker principles. That is indeed what it is. No man is leading it, and no man is essential to it. The Spirit of God is in the hearts of many individuals, and is simply pouring out from them spontaneous joy and soul-seeking. Surely this must come some day in India. I know the terrible deadweight of the undeveloped Church in India, with so much of its old Hindu feeling still hanging to it. But surely even there, soon the awakening must come. It will come when there are men who have the passion of Duff, and who live for the saving of souls.

With kind regards to Mrs. Richardson and yourself.

Your sincere friend,

P. S.

This letter was not ready to go with the Mission letter, and rather than delay it, I sent it off, and now send on this more personal letter which I had hoped to send at the same time.

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February 28th, 1905.

The Rev. W. J. P. Graham,  
 Podoli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Graham:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter to the Mission in reply to the Minutes of the Annual Meeting. It refers also, to the question of the Board's understanding of the scope of the power given to its Attorneys; and it refers also, to the matter of the memorials to the government and the vexatious situation on the land problem.

I have mentioned in my letter to the Mission, of having given your various letters regarding the land question to Mr. Hand, and I have given him also, your two letters as to the power of attorney, inasmuch as it was the Finance Committee, of which Mr. Hand acts as Secretary, that was considering the matter, and which drafted the statement adopted by the Board.

I am just handing him now your letter of February 20th, accompanying your second petition to the Indian Government.

In your letter of December 1st, you ask for a copy of your letter of August 5th to me. I do not know whether you will need the enclosures in that letter, too, but I am sending them, so that you may be sure to have whatever it was you desired.

The Mission letter speaks of the settlement of Dr. Heston's case, and communicates the judgment, in accordance with the view so clearly and helpfully expressed in your letter of December 1st, of the Board.

I hope that you and your daughter are well. If you get an opportunity to read the little Memorial Sketch of Dr. Babcock, prepared by his friend, Dr. Robinson, I hope you will not let the opportunity pass by. It is full of such an influence as fills one at first with discouragement at the thought of his poor and unworthy service, but soon supplants this feeling with one of joyful confidence in the great Spirit. He is able to take each life, whatever its



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gifts may be, and use them to the full in the loving service of Christ. Dr. Robinson quotes from a letter from one of our missionaries in China, speaking of a visit he paid to Dr. Babcock when he was in Baltimore:

"I think I never spent a few hours in anyone's presence whose influence left such a clear and abiding impression upon me; the music, the conversation, and above all, the spirit of the man still abide in my heart. I sat down at his desk, and the 'Do it now' motto, which he had written and pasted on the rim of his desk cover, has often been a reminder to promptness. And above all was his frankness and his power to make you feel it."

That 'Do it now,' and the great unresting desire to help others, to draw them nearer to Christ, were I think his great characteristics. Of the second of these, Dr. Meigs, the headmaster of one of our preparatory schools, where Dr. Babcock often went, wrote to Dr. Robinson:

"Self-effacement, that the face of Christ might more truly appear in his life, was the law of his service. Necessarily conscious of power, to him it was the power of God working in and through him; delighting in the exercise of his gifts, he seemed alive only to the sense of goodness of God, who made him a servant for Jesus' sake. And yet, contradictory as it may seem, the kindly, quickening radiance and joyousness of his speech and countenance might easily have suggested to those who know him not, the very 'abandon' of self-confidence, while those who really knew his soul found over in this only the irrepressible joy of one who knew in Whom he trusted, and was therefore confident."

I know many who think, and I suppose this is the temptation of all of us, that we cannot hope to do what such rare spirits do. But one of the old members of Dr. Babcock's church in Baltimore, told me that when Dr. Babcock came there, he was not such a remarkable preacher, but that he just laid himself open to the molding of God's Spirit, holding back none of his life, its joy or its play, from the use of God; and that he just unfolded so into the glorious power which marked the close of his too brief life. If you see this little book any place, just sit down with it. It will take you only an hour or two to read it.

With kind regards.

Your sincere friend,

P. S.

This letter was not ready to go with the Mission letter, and rather than delay it, I sent it off, and now send on this more personal letter which I had hoped to send at the same time.

February 25th, 1905.

The Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
Vengurle, India.

My Dear Mr. Hannum:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a long letter to the Mission, and would in addition acknowledge personally the receipt of your letters of November 5th and 8th, January 18th and two of the 23rd, and February 2nd. I have received the reports also, with the exception of Folhapur Station report, which has not yet come. I have referred to this in the letter to the Mission, but I am afraid if it is not already on the way, it will be too late for us to receive it after this reaches you. Of course I can make up something from the personal reports, but it will not be nearly as satisfactory as the Station report, your Station reports being, as it seems to me, especially admirable.

I sympathize with you in the distress caused by the delay in your Minutes. Mr. Henry Forman had the same trouble with the North India Minutes, the last of their pages were received only last week. And the Minutes of the Punjab Mission have not yet come. I hope that no interests are imperilled by these long delays; but it seems to me that if matters of importance, and calling for decision are considered by the Mission at the Mission Meeting, it would be well to send a copy of the original minutes immediately at the close of the Mission Meeting, without waiting to send a printed copy, which could follow later.

Thank you very much for the helpful comments in your letter of January 23rd. With reference to the consolidation of salaries, I would say that that question has often been discussed, and was I think considered by a Committee some years ago of the Punjab Mission, but the plan was abandoned on the ground that it was pretty sure to do injustice to some people, and the only way in which injustice to them could be avoided would be by the salary scale, which would mean that others would get really more than was necessary. There was a feeling on the part of some, also, that even with a consolidated salary, it would not be long before



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the matter could be more or less forgotten, and urgent necessities would call for special appropriations again for those very items supposed to be included in the consolidation. I have been told - I do not know how true it is - that the 20% of the 20000 of the salaries in India, was originally supposed to cover the cost of conveyance item necessary in India, but I am not sure whether this is a fact or not. I notice, however, that where a conveyance is needed in India, it is now provided for by a special appropriation. Some have feared that that if there should be a consolidation now the same thing would happen again with reference to various items. I think myself that a good deal is to be said in favor of a consolidation, but the problem is, as you realize, to fix upon a general rule that would not on the one hand work injustice to the individual, or on the other, work injustice to the general treasury.

With reference to the proposed return return to Dr. Williamson of 2600 Rupees, I would say that the action of the Board in the matter originally was as follows:

J. R. Williamson, M. D., of the Western India Mission, having secured funds from Friends in England, to the amount of \$1000. for the erection of a bungalow at Miraj, and having asked what arrangement the Board would make towards refunding this amount to the contributors, in case of withdrawal of Dr. Williamson from the Mission, it was voted to instruct the Secretary in charge, to inform Dr. Williamson that a reasonable adjustment would be made if conditions called for action.

As I understand, the money was never appropriated here and never passed through the Board's Treasury, but was secured by Dr. Williamson and expended on the field, under I suppose, the judgment of the Mission. How much did Dr. Williamson raise? Just what was his request with reference to a return of the money? Has the Mission actually paid over to him the money voted at the Annual Meeting? If so, where did it come from if what Dr. Williamson raised was really expended in the new bungalow?

I have written fully to the Mission regarding the question as to the scope of the power given to the Board's Attorney. The action of the Board does not cover the questions which it was proposed to ask, but which the Mission voted not to ask; but it does cover I think the actual inquiry of the Mission.

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Your note of February second with reference to the cablegram sent to "Wilson, Miraj" for Miss Enright, is just received. The reason it was sent so was that it was not intended to be a cablegram to the Mission, but to Miss Enright. Miss Enright had written to the Board asking that she might be allowed to withdraw her resignation and resume her connection with the Mission; but her letter did not indicate that she had consulted with the Mission at all. What we meant to do was to cable to her, telling her that the Board would leave the whole matter to the Mission, and that she should present the matter to the Mission. We could not cable to "Enright, Sangli," and did not know how to reach Miss Enright more directly than by cabling to Miraj. We might have cabled to you at Vengurle, but you would have had to write to Sangli, or telegraphed to Miraj. Had it been a Mission telegram, it would have been sent either to you as Secretary, or to Mr. Wiley as Treasurer. I have given your letter of February second to Mr. Hand, so that he may know what Stations of the Mission are open to cable business. It does not follow always, however, that the Cable Companies will take messages for Stations which are regarded on the field as open to such communications.

I hope that you and Mrs. Hannum are both very well, and I trust that you are getting from some quarter pretty full accounts of the Revival in Wales. It is a work that stirs one deeply, with what appears to be its genuineness and spontaneity.

By the time this letter reaches you, you will have said goodby to little Robert. I can imagine how hard it must have been for you and Mrs. Hannum to give him up; but I believe that God watches over the children of missionaries with a special providence, and will care for the little lad, and guide him day by day.

With warm regards.

Your sincere friend,



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P. S.

This letter was not ready to go with the Mission letter, and rather than delay it, I sent it off, and now send on this more personal letter which I had hoped to send you at the same time.

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February 28th, 1905,

The Rev. J. K. Coheen,

Eolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Coheen:-

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter to the Mission in reply to the Minutes of the Annual Meeting, but cannot send it without just a word to thank you for your good letter of last November, with the enclosed sprig of silver fern. I should like to see the mountains around Mahabelaswar when they are covered with the fern.

I am sorry that you and Mrs. Coheen have not been so well, and trust that you may have a really refreshing rest this hot season, and gather strength for next fall and winter.

All of Robert's testimonials are not in yet, but I do rejoice that he is applying, and trust that nothing may prevent his going out this year to Western India, and being so near you.

The Rev. Minot C. Morgan recently wrote earnestly expressing the hope that, as Secretary of the Seminary Class, you might come home this spring to be present at the thirtieth reunion. I wrote to him, however, that we knew you were not planning to come, and that in view of Robert's prospective appointment this year we felt sure you would not be wanting to come this spring.

I hope that the work is going forward encouragingly, and with warm regards to you and Mrs. Coheen, I am,

Your sincere friend,

P. S.

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Madras, 21st Dec 1901.

Madras, Madras Presidency, India.

Dear Mr. Wiley:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter to the Mission, but cannot let it go without thanking you and Mrs. Wiley for her good letter of December 21st, and your two of November 14th and December 30th. I think all the points touched upon in these letters are covered in the letter to the Mission, but there were one or two matters of which I wanted to speak especially.

In writing of the Village Settlement, you say that the Board "certainly cannot expect us to curtail established work in order to establish work, the main principles of which we do not believe in." How would you go on to explain this sentence if someone should ask you what these principles were? I ask you without any prejudice at all, because I should like really to have some time analyse thoroughly the matter and set forth the principles represented in the Settlement in which you do not believe. What you write regarding the personnel of the Settlement was most helpful, although you were voted down by the Mission in the matter of Dr. Heston, and the Board has accepted the Mission's desire in the matter, because there is no use in trying to make oil and water mix by statute.

I am wondering whether I was right in the matter spoken of in the Mission letter in supposing that the request for the authority to use the receipts for 1901 in this year, involved no more than the permission to build the little hospital building. I think it is clear that that must have been meant, and yet I do not think the Board would ask for any extensive authority to use receipts at all, and I shall without explaining what the purpose was.

I hope Mrs. Wiley has no more correspondence with Mr. Heston. I wonder that she does so, and hesitate to suggest a single additional burden: but if she is almost too tired to go on with the correspond-

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ence, I wish she might drop off something else and send a letter to Mr. Emerson. He is a most generous man, and it certainly will pay to keep his interest. I was sending off the other day some letters with reference to the work in Japan, and sent one to him. They did not ask for any money, but simply contained some extracts from recent letters about the wonderful opportunities offered by the war for Christian work. In returning these letters he sent a check for \$2000. for the general work.

Your letter of December 30th I turned over to Mr. Hand to read, and have not yet got it back from him. The particular matter of which it treated fell within his jurisdiction.

I hope that you and Mrs. Wiley are both very well, and all your youngsters are in good health and happiness. With warm regards to you both.

Your sincere friend,

*Robert E. Spear.*

P. S.

This letter was not ready to go with the letter to the Mission, and rather than delay it, I sent it off, and now send on this more personal letter, which I had hoped to send you at the same time.

R. E. S.



February 28th, 1905.

The Rev. Edgar M. Wilson,  
Sangli, India.

My Dear Wilson:-

I am sending by this mail, to Dr. Irwin, the Secretary of the Station, a copy of the Mission letter, but I send a note to you to say that I am doing so, as I fear he may have gone to Mahabaleswar or elsewhere, in view of his very serious illness. I sincerely trust that he is likely to be spared, and that the Mission may not lose his valuable and capable service.

In the Mission letter there is the report of the action of the Board favorable to the transfer to the State of the small piece of land outside the wall of the old Fort. I am sorry you have had so much trouble over it. Let me thank you for your good letter of November 26th, telling of your safe arrival, and of the general conditions of the work, and especially of the need of new bungalows. I have referred to this need in the Mission letter, and earnestly wish that it might be possible for the Board to supply these evident necessities of the Mission.

I hope that the work is going forward steadily, and that you are finding real encouragement and comfort in it. I have got a great deal of satisfaction lately in the matter of one's work, from thinking on an idea suggested to me by a passage in one of Newman's Sermons. I have never read the full sermon, but the passage to which I refer I saw in a book by Dr. Alexander Whyte, on Newman. It was entitled there, "One the World's Benefactors." The thought which it suggested to me, however, was one on which I straightway wrote an editorial for the Sunday School Times, entitled "The Oblivion of Great Work." I venture to enclose herewith a copy of the extract which Dr. Whyte quoted, because I think you will be glad to see it. But how true it is that, while there are a good and notorious, and a good many famous people in the world, and many

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others who are tolerably well known for good or for ill, yet the great mass of the best and truest and most constructive work is done practically in oblivion. The work of mothers, of country school teachers, of missionaries, of the innumerable agents of organizations who are buried in the work which they are doing - all this is the world's greatest work, but it is done in obscurity. I think of the great truths of which the world is possessed to-day, of the words in which these truths are preserved and communicated. Who first discovered these truths, or coined these words? Or who gave to each the new developments which brought them to their present completeness? These people are really unknown. And yet this has been a part of the world's best work. On the other hand, think of how much bad work or positively harmful activity has made the people who have done it known to the whole world! It almost makes one shrink from the thought of publicity or conspicuous praise to observe from history how much more frequently it has been mistakenly accorded than rightly given. Anyone who thinks this way, it seems to me, is impelled to more fidelity, and is taught from his own experience the value of so many words of our Saviour's regarding the obscurity of the finest work.

I shall look forward with very much pleasure to seeing your brother and his family. I hope they may have a pleasant voyage, and it will be good to get the latest news from them and the Jollys and Miss Foster.

With warm regards.

Your sincere friend,

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## CLASS V. Continued - Y.M. Rupees.

Brought forward - 3072.  
5067.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

<u>Kolhapur Aditavar Girls'.</u>			
Teacher and Helper,	252.		
Furniture, prizes, etc.,	35.	287.	
<u>Kolhapur Somavar Girls'.</u>			
Teachers,	192.		
Furniture, prizes, etc.,	35.	227.	
<u>Herele Boys'.</u>			
Teacher,	168.		
Furniture, cleaning, etc.,	10.	178.	
<u>Kini Boys'.</u>			
Teacher,	192.		
Furniture, cleaning, etc.,	10.	202.	
<u>Halundi Boys'.</u>			
Teacher,	180.		
Furniture, cleaning, etc.,	10.	190.	

## OTHER SCHOOLS:

<u>Porale Reading school,</u>	72.		
<u>Minaci Reading School.</u>	72.		

Rupees. 4295. .

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

Dwellings of agents,	124.		
Kolhapur Somavar School,	36.	160.	
Receipts on field,		124.	36.
Missionary dwellings, land,	31.		
Water,	24.		
On Day schools,	8.		63.

## REPAIRS:

Missionary dwellings,	200.		
Other buildings,	250.		
Panhala Sanitarium,	284.	734.	

## ATTENDANTS:

Panhala Sanitarium,		84.	
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Rupees. 917. .

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETINGS:

Annual Meeting,	50.		
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## STATIONERY &amp; POSTAGE:

For Station,	60.		
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## PERSONAL TEACHERS.

Miss Johnson and Mr. Simpson,	300.		
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Rupees. 410. .

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## CLASS V. Continued - Y.M. Rupees.

	Brought forward -		3672.	
			5067.	
DAY SCHOOLS:				
	<u>Kolhapur Aditavar Girls'.</u>			
	Teacher and Helper,	252.		
	Furniture, prizes, etc.	<u>35.</u>	287.	
	<u>Kolhapur Somavar Girls'.</u>			
	Teachers,	192.		
	Furniture, prizes, etc.	<u>35.</u>	227.	
	<u>Herele Boys'.</u>			
	Teacher,	168.		
	Furniture, cleaning, etc.,	<u>10.</u>	178.	
	<u>Kini Boys'.</u>			
	Teacher,	192.		
	Furniture, cleaning, etc.,	<u>10.</u>	202.	
	<u>Halundi Boys'.</u>			
	Teacher,	180.		
	Furniture, cleaning, etc.	<u>10.</u>	190.	
OTHER SCHOOLS:				
	<u>Porale Reading school,</u>		72.	
	<u>Minaci Reading School.</u>		72.	

Rupees. 4295. .

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENTS:	Dwellings of agents,	124.		
	Kolhapur Somavar School,	<u>36.</u>	160.	
	Receipts on field,		<u>124.</u>	36.
TAXES:	Missionary dwellings, land,	31.		
	Water,	24.		
	On Day schools,	<u>8.</u>		63.
REPAIRS:				
	Missionary dwellings,	200.		
	Other buildings,	250.		
	Panhala Sanitarium,	<u>284.</u>	734.	
ATTENDANTS:				
	Panhala Sanitarium,		84.	

Rupees. 917. .

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:	Annual Meeting,	50.		
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:	For Station,	60.		
PERSONAL TEACHERS.	Miss Johnson and Mr. Simpson,	300.		

Rupees. 410. .



## SUMMARY FOR KOLHAPUR. ✓

	COLD.	RUPES.
CLASS I.	\$ 8353.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	1487.50 ✓	
CLASS IV.		476. ✓
CLASS V.		4295. ✓
CLASS VII.		917. ✓
CLASS IX.		410. ✓
TOTAL.	\$ 5120.50 ✓	6098. Rupees. ✓

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR RATNAGIRI.

1905-1906.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Rev. A. L. Wiley,	\$1080.00	
Miss E. T. Minor,	540.00	
Miss A. M. Jefferson,	540.00	
	<u>2160.00</u>	

\$2160.00 ✓

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Bible Women,	Rupees.	
	84.	

## OTHER HELPERS:

Two other Workers,	286.	
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## ITINERATING:

For the Station,	100.	
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Rupees. 470. ✓

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

Teachers,	876.	
Furniture, etc.,	<u>75.</u>	
	951.	
Receipts from orphan funds,	<u>500.</u>	451. ✓

## DAY SCHOOLS.

Three day schools.		
Teachers, furniture, etc.	705.	
Receipts on field,	<u>660.</u>	45.

Rupees. 496. ✓

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

Missionary dwelling,	432.	
Water for dwelling,	<u>48.</u>	480.

## TAXES:

Missionary dwelling,	26.	
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## REPAIRS:

General repairs,	150.	
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Rupees. 656. ✓



CLASS IX. MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:	Annual Meeting,		Rupees.
			225.
BOOKS & PRINTING:	For Station,		75.
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:	For Station,	25.	
	For Treasurer,	<u>110.</u>	135.
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:	Four Missionaries,		150.
SANITARIUMS:	For Station, travel,	250.	
	Rent for Mission,	<u>1975.</u>	2225.
TRANSFERS:	Committees and agents,		100.
			Rupees. 2908.

SUMMARY FOR RATNAGIRI. ✓

	GOLD.	RUPES.
CLASS I.	\$ 2160.00 ✓	
CLASS IV.		470. ✓
CLASS V.		496. ✓
CLASS VII.		656. ✓
CLASS IX.		<u>2908. ✓</u>
TOTAL.	\$ 2160.00 ✓	4530. Rupees.

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APPROPRIATIONS FOR BANGLA.

1905-1906.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

SALARIES:

Rev. J. M. Erwin,	\$ 1080.00
Rev. E. M. Wilson,	1080.00
Rev. H. A. Kerner,	646.00
Miss G. L. Enright,	540.00
	3348.00

CHILDREN:

Mr. Wilson, (4)	400.00
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\$ 3748.00 ✓

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

HOME ALLOWANCE:

Mr. John Jolly, (11 mos.)	\$ 916.63
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CHILDREN:

Mr. Jolly, (5)	500.00
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FREIGHT & TRAVEL:

Mr. Jolly and family,	1200.00
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\$ 2616.63 ✓

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN:

One Bible Woman,	Rupees. 84.
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SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

Lesson helps,	24.
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ITINERATING:

Conveyances,	50.
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ANY OTHER WORK:

Tracts and Books,	
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Rupees. 158. ✓

CLASS V. EDUCATION.

BOARDING SCHOOLS:

Academic Department, Boys'.

Eleven Teachers,	1728.
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Clerk, Peon & Servants,	858.
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Books, stationery, etc.,	245.
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Medicines & other expenses,	570.
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Food, clothing, etc.	2852.
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5953.

Receipts on field,	2610.	3343.
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Industrial Department.

Six Teachers,	1116.
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Materials and tools,	500.
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1616.

Receipts on field,	1500.	116.
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DAY SCHOOLS:

Three day schools.	
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Teachers and expenses,	435.
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Rupees. 3894. ✓



CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

		Rupees.
RENT:		
	Boys' School,	6.
	Girls' School	12.
	Land for Conseruancy,	8.
		<u>26.</u>
	Receipts on field,	6.
		20.
TAXES:		
	Missionary premises,	53.
	Buildings in town,	2.
	Mt. Douglas,	85.
		<u>140.</u>
INSURANCE:	Industrial Shop,	14.
		14.
REPAIRS:		
	Sangli Bldings,	300.
	Mt. Douglas,	150.
		<u>450.</u>
ATTENDANTS:	Sangli & Mt. Douglas,	212.
		Rupees. 836. ✓

CLASS IX. MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.

Mission Meetings:	Annual Meeting,	100.
BOOKS & PRINTING:	Books, printing, etc.,	10.
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:	Stationery and postage,	40.
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:	For the Station,	120.
		Rupees. 270. ✓



SUMMARY FOR SANGLI.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	\$ 5748.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	2616.63 ✓	
CLASS IV.		158. ✓
CLASS V.		3894. ✓
CLASS VII.		836. ✓
CLASS IX.		<u>270. ✓</u>
TOTAL.	\$ 6364.63	5158. Rupees.

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR MIRAJ.

1905-1906.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Rev. R. C. Richardson,	\$ 1000.00
Dr. W. J. Wanless, (2 mos.)	900.00
Miss D. E. Patterson,	540.00
	<u>2520.00</u>

## CHILDREN:

Mr. Richardson, (1)	100.00
Dr. Wanless, (1)	100.00
	<u>200.00</u>

\$ 2720.00 ✓

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON THE FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Dr. Wanless, (1 mo.)	\$ 85.55
Dr. A. S. Wilson,	1000.00
Miss A. L. A. Foster,	500.00
	<u>1585.55</u>

## CHILDREN:

Dr. Wilson, (4)	400.00
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## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

Dr. Wanless,	900.00
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\$ 2885.55 ✓

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## NATIVE MINISTERS:

One Native preacher,	Rupees, 240.
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## BIBLE WOMEN :

One Bible Woman,	150.
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## ITINERATING:

For the Station,	100.
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Rupees, 490. ✓

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

<u>Miraj Boys'</u>	
Teacher and expenses,	180.
<u>Miraj Girls'</u>	
Teacher and expenses,	126.

Rupees, 306. ✓

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

## ASSISTANTS:

Nurse and four assistants,	1164.
Six students' scholarships,	804.
Three pupil nurses' "	288.
Other helpers,	900.
Medicines,	4223.
	<u>7379.</u>



CLASS VI. Continued. - Rupees. 7379.

EXPENSES:

BROUGHT FORWARD -			
Sweepstax,	80.		
Washing & Diet,	450.		
Light and heating,	324.		
Repairs, utensils,	50.		
Books and printing,	100.		
Postage and stationery,	25.	1209.	
		8588.	
Receipts on field,		6500.	2088.

Rupees. 2088. -

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENTS:		
Miraj Boys' School,	48.	
TAXES:		
Mission land and buildings,	69.	
REPAIRS:		
Hospital and missionary residences,	400.	
ATTENDANTS:		
Gardener at Hospital,	72.	

Rupees. 589. -

CLASS IX. MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:	Annual Meeting,	100.
BOOKS & PRINTING:	Books, printing, ext.	55.
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:	For the Station,	25.
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:	For the Station,	150.
PERSONAL TEACHERS:	Mr. Richardson,	150.

Rupees. 480. -

SUMMARY FOR MIRAJ.

	COMP.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	\$ 2720.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	2883.33 ✓	
CLASS IV.		490. ✓
CLASS V.		306. ✓
CLASS VI.		2088. ✓
CLASS VII.		589. ✓
CLASS IX.		480. ✓
TOTAL.	\$ 5603.33 ✓	3955. Rupees.

## APPROPRIATION FOR VENGURLE.

1905-1906.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

SALARIES:			
	Rev. W. H. Hannum,	\$ 1080.00	
	Rev. A. W. Marshall,	<u>1080.00</u>	
		2160.00	
CHILDREN:			
	Mr. Hannum, (2)	200.00	
	Mr. Marshall, (1)	<u>100.00</u>	
		300.00	
			\$ 2460.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

CHILDREN:			
	Mr. Hannum, (1)	\$ 150.00	
			\$ 150.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC:

BIBLE WOMEN:	One Bible woman,	Rupess.	
OTHER HELPERS:	One Helper,	280.	
TRAVEL:	For the Station,	200.	
ANY OTHER WORK:	Tracts and books,	25.	
			Rupess. 505.
			Less receipts on field, <u>25.</u>
			480.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

DAY SCHOOLS:			
	Teacher and expenses,	160.	
			Rupess. 160.-

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

ASSISTANTS:			
	One assistant and one compounder,	504.	
	Clerk,	144.	
MEDICINES: etc.,		1039.	
OTHER EXPENSES:		<u>200.</u>	
		1787.	
	Receipts on field,	<u>800.</u>	987.
			Rupess. 987.



CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENTS:			Rupees.
	Dispensary,	60.	
	Schoolhouse,	20.	
	Missionary residences,	<u>720.</u>	800.
REPAIRS:			
	General,		120.

Rupees. 920.

CLASS IX. MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:		
	Annual Meeting,	220.
BOOKS & PRINTING:		
	Secretary's records,	
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:		40.
SANITARIUMS:		
	Travel,	175.
PERSONAL TEACHERS:		
	Mr. Marshall,	75.

Rupees. 500. ✓



SUMMARY FOR VENGURLE.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	\$ 2460.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	150.00 ✓	
CLASS IV.		480. ✓
CLASS V.		100. ✓
CLASS VI.		267. ✓
CLASS VII.		920. ✓
CLASS IX.		<u>500. ✓</u>
TOTAL.	\$ 2610.00 ✓	3047. Rupees. ✓

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR KODOLI.

1905-1906.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Rev. J. P. Graham,	720.00
Miss A. A. Brown,	540.00
Miss V. E. McArthur, M. D.,	540.00
Miss B. Graham,	540.00
Miss Sybel G. Brown,	540.00
	<u>2880.00</u>

\$2880.00 .

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC:

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Two Bible Women,	Rupees. 168.
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## ITINERATION:

For Station,	200.00
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## ANY OTHER WORK:

Books,	75.
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Rupees. 443.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

Kodoli Boys',	744.
Kodoli Girls',	714.
Kodoli Mang Vadi Boys',	72.
Ayatavadi, Boys and Girls,	228.
Boropal Boys and Girls,	72.
Mandopal Boys and Girls',	192.
	<u>2022.</u>
Receipts on field,	<u>1576.</u> 646.

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

## ASSISTANTS:

Assistant, Nurse, Clerk, etc.	656.
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## MEDICINES:

and	1982.
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## OTHER EXPENSES:

	<u>2051.</u>
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	2687.
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Receipts on field,	<u>50.</u> 2637.
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Rupees. 2637.-

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENTS:

Three school houses,	60.
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## TAXES:

Dwellings, hospital, etc.,	60.
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## REPAIRS:

Dwellings, hospital, etc.,	300.
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Rupees. 420. ✓



CLASS IX, MISSION & STATION EXPENSES,

MISSION MEETINGS:		Rupees.	
Annual Meeting,		45.	
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:			
For Station,		50.	
PERSONAL TEACHERS:			
Miss Graham and Miss Brown,	100.		
			Rupees, 195.

SUMMARY FOR KODOLI.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS II.	₹ 2880.00	
CLASS IV.		443.
CLASS V.		646.
CLASS VI.		2657.
CLASS VII.		420.
CLASS IX.		195.
TOTAL.	₹ 2880.00	4341. Rupees.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

1893-1906.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

SALARIES:

Miss G. E. Wilder,	\$ 300.00
Mrs. L. E. Havens,	300.00
Miss W. E. T. Heston, M. D.,	540.00
Miss E. E. Scheurman, (11 mos.)	275.00
Miss A. L. Giles, (11 mos.)	275.00
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	1690.00

\$ 1690.00 ✓

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

FREIGHT & TRAVEL:

Miss Scheurman,	\$ 300.00
Miss Giles,	300.00
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	600.00

\$ 600.00 ✓

CLASS VI. HOSPITALS & DISPENSARIES.

MEDICINES:

For the Settlement,	Rupees.
	720.

Rupees. 720. ✓

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENTS:

For Settlement,	720.
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Rupees. 720. ✓

SUMMARY FOR SETTLEMENT.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	\$ 1690.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	600.00 ✓	
CLASS VI.		720. ✓
CLASS VII.		720. ✓
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TOTAL.	\$ 2290.00 ✓	1440. Rupees. ✓



SUMMARY FOR THE WESTERN INDIA MISSION.

	GOLD.	RUPES.
KOLHAPUR:	\$ 5120.50 ✓	8098. ✓
RATNAGERI.	2160.00 ✓	4330. ✓
GANGLI.	6364.93 ✓	5158. ✓
MIRAJ.	3603.33 ✓	3953. ✓
VENCURLE.	2610.00 ✓	3047. ✓
KODOLI.	2880.00 ✓	4341. ✓
VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.	2290.00 ✓	1440. ✓
TOTAL.	\$27,026.46 ✓	28,567. Rupees. ✓

The grant to the Western India Mission for the year 1905-1906, is \$27,026.46 Gold, for Classes I and II, and Rupees 21,349.8, for the remaining Classes, excepting III and VIII. The foregoing estimates are approved by the Board. The excess in the amount appropriated over the estimates can be applied to Column II in the estimate sheets, which is not reproduced in the appropriation sheets. The Board has been unable to make any appropriation for Class VIII. Any grants for new missionaries, when made, will be specially reported by the Treasurer of the Board.

✓  
 April 7th, 1905.

To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:

I enclose herewith the appropriation sheets for the year 1905-1906. I am very happy to say that the full amount asked for and needed by the Mission in Classes I and II has been appropriated, namely \$27,028.46 Gold. In the remaining Classes it has been possible to provide the same amount which was granted to the Mission at the beginning of the fiscal year 1904-1905, namely Rupees. 31,349.8. The total amount required by all the Missions in Classes I and II is over \$550,000. The total home budget needed for the year, including publishing of the annual report and all charges ordered by the General Assembly, will require at least \$65,000., leaving in round numbers, about \$375,000. for the native work of the Missions. This will allow not one dollar for new property or new missionaries, although it will be hoped to send out some new missionaries with money specially provided, just as any absolutely necessary property will have to be provided for in the same way. Even to do this will require a total appropriation of \$20,000. more than was made at the beginning of last year, in view of the general increase of the missionary force, the extra expense involved by the increase in the home allowance, from \$900. to \$1000. for married missionaries, and from \$450. to \$500. for single missionaries, beginning May 1st, and the increased cost of silver in many lands. We rejoice that no reduction of the grants for native work has been necessary, but keenly sympathize with the Missions in the difficult situation in which they are placed because of the inadequacy of the budget to allow any increase for the native work. I know the Board of course would have been glad to enlarge the budget to provide for such an increase if it could have been done wisely; but there is still remaining of the deficit for the year 1903-4, about \$38,000., and an increase in the contributions for the rest of the current fiscal year of about \$90,000. will be necessary in order to avoid a deficit this year.



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If large gifts should be received, cancelling last year's deficit and resulting in a surplus at the end of this year, the Board would undoubtedly make supplementary appropriations to the various Missions. But it feels it would be presumptuous and unwarranted for it to appropriate more than a million dollars, which will be necessary to cover next year's budget, even on the basis of no increase in appropriations to the native work. Would it not be possible by a united effort, on the part of all of us, laying aside our own special appeals for extra objects, to lead the Church, especially all those branches of it over which we have any influence, so to increase its general gifts to the cause, that the native work appropriations could be greatly enlarged? I believe that such united effort directed to this end, and absorbing much of the energy sometimes spent in appeals for personal objects, would yield real results.

I well know that the amount thus provided for the work is utterly inadequate, and that the increasing necessities of the work mean that the same amount granted this year will be even less adequate to the needs of the work than a year ago. But, more could have been provided only by cutting Classes I and II on the one hand, or by holding in abeyance the increase of the home allowance, or by an increase of the total budget, which is already \$20,000. in excess of the budget at the beginning of the year 1904-1905, and more than that in excess of the budget at the beginning of 1903-4; and the accounts of that year as you know, reported to the last General Assembly, showed a deficit of over \$40,000. We can only take the appropriations that have been made, and do the best we can with them to meet first necessities first. And meanwhile, we can surely, both at home and abroad, pray and labor so to bring the gifts of the churches up as to cover all these obligations, and make possible a real advance not in the force of missionaries only, but also in the native work.

The amount actually granted the Mission for the native work is considerably in excess of the amount asked for in Column I of the estimates for Classes IV, V, VI, VII and IX, the Mission not having asked in Column I for as large an amount as was granted last year. The new provisions of the Manual and the in-



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estimations on the new estimate sheets, authorizing you to ask for as much as you actually got last year. In other words, you were entitled to call in Column F for an amount, which reduced by Column G, or what was to be raised on the field, would equal the amount actually granted by the Board at the beginning of the preceding year. You are of course at liberty to readjust the appropriations as between Class and Class and as between Column I and Column II, in accordance with the liberty of transfer vested in the Mission by the Manual.

The salaries of the unmarried men have been made out in accordance with the recent action of the Board, at \$848. This has been done in Mr. Simpson's case, though Miss Orr, to whom he has been engaged to be married, has been appointed and assigned to the Mission, and expects to go out this fall. This appointment was made, however, after the appropriation sheets had been prepared; and whatever special appropriations are rendered necessary on this account, will be reported by Mr. Hand specially, when Miss Orr sails. There have been no further appointments I am sorry to have to say to the Mission, although Dr. Goheen's application has come in. His papers are not all complete, however. I trust there may be no difficulty in the way of his appointment and departure for the field this fall. In connection with all the new missionaries we shall have to secure special funds; inasmuch as the budget for the new year provides nothing for Class III, and could have made provision for it only at the expense of other Classes. We confidently expect, however, that all such funds will be provided.

The estimates ~~as they came from the Mission~~ included no item for the freight and travel of Dr. and Mrs. Wanless, although they did include the item for Mrs. Tedford. It was only on the second or third revision of the estimates that this omission was noticed. I think all other traveling expenses have been included.

Dr. and Mrs. Wanless are expecting to reach the field by July 1st, and the appropriations have been adjusted on that basis. The increased salary for Dr. Heston has also been inserted, although we have left this in the Village Settlement, whose estimates as they came from the Mission included Dr. Heston. The



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Mission of course can transfer the appropriation to Class I of whatever Station Dr. Hapton is to be regularly assigned to. Her name is given as At Kolhapur in the statement sent by Mr. Hannum from the Mission meeting. The salaries of Miss Schurman and Miss Giles have been entered at \$275., as the appropriations contained the items for their freight and travel, so that they would be on the field but eleven months of the year.

Dr. Wanless has represented to us that the estimate of the amount to be raised on the field by the Miraj Hospital was too large, and that the Mission might be involved in difficulty if it counted on Rupees 8000. At his suggestion, the amount to be raised on the field has been entered as \$6500. Rupees, making the amount asked from the Board by the Hospital, Rupees 2880. The Mission is of course at liberty, however, to adjust its appropriations as it pleases, within the Manual provisions and within the limit of the total grant from the Board.

To the statement which I made above, that the appropriation sheets contained only the items in the first Column of the estimates for native work, there is one exception, namely, in Class V of the Ratnagiri Station, where all the additional items in Column 2 were covered by the entry in Column 3. Here it was necessary to include the items in Column 2, or the amounts to be raised on the field would have been far in excess of the authorized expenditures. Inasmuch as all the items in Column 2 seemed to be covered by Column 3, thus involving no addition to the appropriations, the figures in both Columns have been included incorporated in the appropriation sheets.

I wish it had been possible for the Board to appropriate all that the Mission asked for in both Columns, and also in Class VIII. As I have stated, however, not a dollar has been appropriated for new property in any of the Missions in the budget for the new year. Whatever is done in that way will have to be done by means of special contributions, just as in the case of the new missionaries.

We have just received to-day such a special contribution of \$2500. from Mr. John H. Converse, to provide for the construction of a hostel, latrines and



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gas plant at Miraj. This amount will be appropriated at the next meeting of the Board.

I would report a special appropriation, also, of \$30. to make the salary of the Rev. Arthur Korman during the fiscal year ending April 30th, equal to the amount already provided for Mr. Simpson.

A paragraph or two from recent reports of the Finance Committee approved by the Board, are also of interest to the Mission:

The Treasurer of the Western India Mission having forwarded plans for two small additions to the orphanage, with the statement that the cost of the same, namely, about Rs. 200., had been secured through private sources for the erection of the same, it is recommended that the additions referred to be duly authorized.

Rev. John Jolly, of the Western India Mission, under date of December 23rd, forwards plans for two additional rooms for the industrial school. He states that the funds necessary for this improvement have been secured through friends in India and Europe. The Committee recommends that this improvement be authorized.

The action of the Executive Committee sanctioning the increase in the estimate for latrines at Miraj, has been received. I think that Mr. Converse's gift is adequate to cover the increased estimate for the latrines, as well as the cost of the hostel and gas plant.

The item for the child of Mr. Marshall, born on November 29th, was not included in the estimate sheets sent from the Mission, and through an oversight was not allowed on the appropriation sheets. An appropriation has been made, however, of \$144.16, to cover this expense from November 29th, 1904, to April 30, 1906.

The appropriation sheets as sent to you, with the exception of Class V of the Ratnagiri Station, contain only the items which were included by the Mission in Column 1. If the Mission prefers to do some of the work listed in Column 2, it is of course free to do so under the authority granted it with reference to the liberty of transfer. Inasmuch, however, as Column 1 was supposed to indicate how the Mission would spend the amount which it received the year preceding, and as that is all that has been granted, it seemed wisest every way, to incorporate in the appropriation sheets only the items in this Column. The Specific Object



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Secretary here, in giving out objects will now be reasonably sure that the work she gives out will be done. So long as the appropriation sheets were merely a transcript of the estimate sheets, of course there were a great many of the items representing work which would not be done because of the inadequacy of the actual grant; and there was the risk that Mrs. Wood might give out some of this work, thinking that it was to be done. Of course she always endeavors to give out work by Classes, rather than by specific items, and never gave out more than she was sure the Mission would use in any one Class. But there was the possibility of a mistake, which will now be practically eliminated.

The Punjab Mission at its last meeting, took an action with reference to furloughs of which you will doubtless have heard, and regarding which the Board would be glad to have the judgment of the North India Mission. The matter is presented in the following extract from the last Mission letter to the Punjab Mission:

"The action of the Mission with reference to an alternate furlough arrangement was laid before the Board, as the following Minute indicates. There is very much to be said in favor of the proposed plan:

'The proposal of the Punjab Mission with reference to a change in the provision for term of service and furlough, allowing each missionary the option of the present Manual provision, or a furlough of six months at the end of five and a half years, was laid before the Board, and it was voted that, while the Board was much in favor of the proposed plan, it would prefer delaying any action until it had been considered also by the other Missions in India.'

It has already been in operation in some fields in a slightly changed form, as for example in Mexico, where the missionaries have a furlough of a year at the end of ten years, the Board meeting traveling expenses both ways, or of six months at the end of five years, the Board meeting the traveling expenses one way. The plan proposed by the Mission would differ from this in making the brief term of service more than half of the long, and the short furlough less than half of the long furlough, while providing for traveling expenses both ways. The Board will be glad to have the other India Missions consider the question. It is very probable that some such arrangement ought to be made in the Philippines also; and indeed in many fields, the missionaries feel that the furlough requires too long an absence from the work, and especially when there are children at home; and now that travel is so much quicker, many feel the desirability of a short term on the field."

With the earnest prayer that God may restore to health and strength such members of the Mission as have been ill, and may defend you all from all distress, and grant His most abundant blessing on the work of the year, I am,

Your sincere friend,

April 13, 1905 .

W. J. Wanless, M.D.,  
38 Lansdown Ave.,  
Toronto, Can.

My dear Doctor:-

I enclose herewith a copy of letter to the  
West India Mission accompanying the appropriations. When you have  
read it, would you mind mailing it to Mr. J. Jolly, c/o. Thomas  
Cook & Sons, Liverpool, Eng.

Very cordially



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April 1911

The Hon. Secy.

The Admiralty, Whitehall, London, W.

Liverpool, England.

My Dear Mr. Jolly:-

This is just a little note of greeting. I am glad that you are so far safe on your way home, and after your stay in London, shall look forward with pleasure to seeing you some time when you come on here. I presume you will sail to Montreal, when you do cross, but our paths will touch sometime surely during your furlough. Please remember me most kindly to Dr. and Mrs. Wilson and to Miss Foster, if they are with you.

With kind regards, I am,

Very cordially yours,

✓  
May 8th, 1905.

Miss Alice L. Giles,  
Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My Dear Miss Giles:-

As usual, I am in debt to you for a number of good letters. I see nearly a half dozen unanswered ones, dated November 10th and 18th, January 18th, March 9th and April 7th. Some of the points about which you write have already been referred to in letters to the Mission, and in the cablegram sent in response to your letter of January 18th. I hope that Dr. Heston will be entirely happy in her relationship to the other work of the Mission, and that she may do faithfully and efficiently, with increasing spiritual power and joy, the work that is given her to do.

I read with the greatest interest your article on the Pandharpur trip, and sent it with the photographs to the Missionary Review of the World, which at once accepted it.

I was sorry to hear of the illness of your Sister. I spoke to Mrs. Speer about her just the other day. I hope that she may recover, or at least survive until your return on furlough.

It is good to know that Mrs. Havens is fitting in so well. A note from Miss Wilder, which Miss Parsons showed me, speaks very cordially of her adaptation to the work of the Settlement.

I am sorry that the location of the Settlement is still held up, but see with you, the compensation in your own freedom to go about doing so much itinerating work, which otherwise you might not have been able to do.

Thank you very much for the touring notes in your letter of April 7th, and the interesting reference in your letter to the open doors which you do sometimes meet. This is the kind of work which the world never sees, but of which there is so much going on now all over the mission field in quietness and steadfast faith.



Miss Giles, 2.

There is a truth of which I have thought a great deal lately, which my own thoughts and my observation of others have combined to emphasize for me; and that is, the superior value of the kind of work which is as a rule unobserved, and which lacks the spectacular elements and the more or less fanciful features which generally explain the prominence of work. After all, work that accomplishes things, that goes deep, that leaves enduring results behind, is the work that is done in inconspicuousness, unobserved. I was thinking of this recently in connection with Christ's account of the last judgment, when, in reply to His questionings and statements, both the righteous and the unrighteous, He says, will ask Him, "Lord, when saw we Thee?" The incidents on which He proposes to rest the judgment are absolutely forgotten by them. Yet in that day Christ will proclaim these forgotten trivialities to have been the vitally important things, and for all eternity the everlastingness of character will have been determined by these attitudes of men toward small opportunities, - the attitudes of acceptance and the attitudes of rejection taken in obscurity and oblivion by those who were thus handling Christ without knowing it, and settling their own destinies. I saw some lines in one of the Southern papers a little while ago, about Chinese Gordon, which put this whole principle of the right secret of great work and great character on its proper basis:

"He was not great  
By wealth or kingly state,  
By bright sword or knowledge of earth's wonder,  
But more than all the race  
He saw life face to face,  
And heard the still, small Voice above its thunder."

It seems to me this is one of the fine missionary thoughts. It comes to one each year in reading over the reports. Some men who are doing the best work in the world send to the Board single and reserved reports; but one who knows them, knows that behind all this curtain, unnoticed, unpraised, thought lightly of by the man himself, the great and everlasting work is being done, - the work of fulfilling in quietness the ministering will of God. You know that is the thought that is put on Mr. Moady's grave stone in Northfield, on the little hill just back of his house, where every evening during the summer time, an open-air meeting is held as the sun goes down. Beneath the name and the dates, the only inscription is, "He that doeth the will of God

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abideth forever."

With kind regards to all the others in the Settlement, I am,

Your sincere friend,



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May 13, 1905.

Dr. W. J. Wanless,

252 Dufferin Street,

Toronto, Canada.

My dear Dr. Wanless:

We are very sorry to hear of Mrs. Wanless' illness and trust that it may prove to be but a light case of pneumonia. You will tell her of our keen sympathy with her, will you not? Mr. Hand has postponed passage, as you desire, and I am sorry for all the anxiety this must have brought to you, but I am glad that you are going to be kept at home by it for a good rest.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,



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May 23, 1905.

The Rev. A. W. Marshall,

Vengarle, Bombay Presidency,

India.

My dear Mr. Marshall:

Your good letter of April 23th. was received yesterday. My heart goes out in keen sympathy to you in your great perplexity as to your duty. I hardly know what to say in the way of the advice which you ask, except to say that it seems to me that the wisest rule to act on is to abide in one's duty, when one is in doubt as to the wisdom of leaving it. I hope that no cable has come to you and that the letters which have come, since you wrote, have been reassuring. Possibly, God singly means to try your faith and to bring you home when you will regularly come, to find your father and mother both living still and waiting to see you.

I do not know whether my views are peculiar, but I am sure there is no lack of affection in them or appreciation of the human character of our relationships, but I have never placed such importance to personal presence, which many feel I should. The heavenly life seems to me so much more real than this life; its eternal relationships so sure, that I have never been able to see why we should emphasis so heavily as we do; our human separations and meetings here in the world. They are all for a few moments in any event, and after a little while, they will be over and then we shall be together forever.

I think too that we should take heart from what we see going on all the time in the world, in the service of the Government, and in the armies and navies. There, cold, hard duty constantly conflicts with our most sacred relations and impulses.

I know you will not think me unsympathetic, but I try hard



... subordinate to the  
... which we are to pass above.

I have had you said to give grace for whatever shall be  
your fate, and I feel almost confident that God will bless your father and  
mother until you can all come again in due time.

I had to learn from a note of last December, that  
William was still working enough, and I was glad to learn also of  
the birth of little Stewart.

I hope that you are not overtaxing yourself. It is easy  
to take on too much strain and to crack under it. You must be very careful  
in the midst of your hard work, with the feelings of isolation and solitary  
responsibility, which it must often bring to you, to keep in the tranquil  
peace of Christ's perfect grace.

I often recall the Jewish hymn which I heard for the

And a river gloriouse in God's perfect peace,  
With all victorious in its bright increase,  
And it shall flourish every day,  
And it shall growth brighter all the way.

Chorus.

And when beloved, hearts are fully blessed,  
And when we are united, possess peace and rest.

II.

And in the valley of His love and hand,  
And in the valley of His love and hand,  
And in the valley of His love and hand,  
And in the valley of His love and hand.

III.

And sorrow shall be turned to joy,  
And sorrow shall be turned to joy,  
And sorrow shall be turned to joy,  
And sorrow shall be turned to joy.

And the Lord shall be with you,  
And the Lord shall be with you,  
And the Lord shall be with you,  
And the Lord shall be with you.





May 23, 1906.

Mrs. J. L. Coheen,  
Kohlapur, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mrs. Coheen:

I have wanted for a long time to thank you for your good personal report for the Mission, written in the form of a letter to me. It was a good thing that you wrote such a good personal report and with the interesting little general touches in it, because no regular Station report came this year from Kohlapur. I suppose it fell out through some leakage in or after the Mission meeting. It was necessary, accordingly, to make up a report from the personal reports and I was very grateful to have yours.

How good it must be to you to look forward to Robert's coming with such a good, capable wife, in the Fall. He was on here to meet Miss Ewing when she came, and we shall hope to see them next week at the new missionaries' conference. I can imagine what a joy it is to you to think of having your own son back again in the work and so near you. Doubtless, you are praying much for him that he may come in the fullness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ.

A friend, who is a clergyman of the Church of England in Canada, sent me recently, a little bit of poetry which has been a great comfort to me, and which I think you will be glad to see:

"The weary one had rest, the sad had joy  
That day. I wondered 'how'?  
A ploughman, sowing at his work, had prayed  
'Lord bless them now'.  
Away in foreign lands they wondered how  
Their single word had power;  
At home, the Christians, two or three, had met  
To pray an hour.  
Yes, we are always wondering, wondering how,  
Because we do not see  
Someone, unknown, perhaps, and far away,  
On behalf of us."

Mrs. F. A. Cohen, P. S.

What a difference it would make, if all of us who have heard, and in our hearts truly believe in Him, would accept His word about prayer, and use the power that He has offered us in behalf of others and the work which they are trying to do. If it is wrong to others to take away from them that which they have, it is surely a wrong, also, not to receive for them that which they ought to have, and, accordingly, it is within our power to bring that blessing to the spiritual life of those who are struggling in their daily, uninteresting, unexciting, and uneventful lives. I remember that in the Year Book of Prayer, the name of Mrs. Newton, who had been very ill, was mentioned as having died that day, and that that day had been the day when the Church was called to pray for her in the Year Book of Prayer. Ought we not all of us in this missionary work, to covenant together more faithfully to remember on another in prayer? It would draw us all nearer together in sympathy and in judgment, and we are already bound together in the fellowship of intercessory prayer.

With kind regards to Mr. Cohen and yourself,

Your sincere friend,

*Amelia*



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May 23, 1905.

The Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
Vengurle, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Hannum:

I was very sorry to hear of the great grief that came to you and Mrs. Hannum in the loss of your little boy. I was glad to hear that Mrs. Hannum was improving and trust that she is now quite well again, and that you get a little rest at Panhala, before going back to Vengurle.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilson and Robert arrived safely. Robert has gone on to Calcutta. Mr. Conly and his family and Miss Foster have not yet come. I was very glad to see Robert. He is a fine, manly little fellow, and I pray that he may be kept in safety while he is absent from you; and that you and Mrs. Hannum may be kept in perfect peace regarding him.

Miss Enright's relatives write in some anxiety regarding her relations to the Mission. One of them writes, asking whether Miss Enright had been re-instated and intimating that they had heard that she had received no salary since December 1st. and is in financial straits. I replied that we had not heard definitely whether the Mission had taken her back again, in view of the reference of the whole matter by the Board to the Mission, with power.; but that I knew she had not been allowed to suffer, and that if she were not to go on with our Mission, she was to either go home or take up work with the other Mission, which she had been thinking of joining. I told her friends, that provision had been made for Miss Enright's salary in the new year appropriations, so that we had been assuming that she would go on in her connection with the Mission.

We never received the Kohlapur station report. The us-

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ual admirable reports from all the other stations came, but we had to make up a report for Kehlpar from the personal reports. What because of the regular station report this year?

I can imagine how full your hands are, and how almost hopeless you must feel at times as you think of the immense ranges of work that might be undertaken, the limitless opportunities that might be embraced; and then on the other hand, your own inadequacy and the terrible obstacles that need to be surmounted. One is often tempted in this mood - at least I can speak for myself - to let himself slip up some, to be an invitation for sympathy, or pity, or admiration because he is attempting so much. At such times, I often recall some rules of Archbishop Benson's that we keep hanging up on one of the office walls here:

Not to call attention to crowded work or rest, fatigues or trivial experiences.

To heal wounds which in times past my cruel and careless hands have made.

To seek no favor, no compassion; to deserve, not to ask for tenderness.

Not to feel any uneasiness when my advice or opinion is not asked, or is set aside."

When in one of these moods once, I drew up some little rules on "How a Christian should be satisfied when he finds the Lord's will done of Heart", and I venture to enclose a copy. Of course, I realized as soon as I got them drawn up that they were no good, except as they got themselves automatically fulfilled in consequence of the presence within of the living Spirit and the Spirit of life. But simply preparing such rules is helpful, if it makes us more conscious of this great principle - a principle which I remember hearing President Durg express once, in an address which he made at the Student Volunteer Convention in London in 1890, when he quoted the old Latin lines:

Si Christianum discas, nihil est si cetera discas,  
Si Christianum doces, nihil est si cetera doces.

I do pray that we may all more perfectly learn that wonderful secret.

With kind regards to Mrs. Hannum,

Your sincere friend,



M.

May 23, 1905.

The Rev. H. T. Simpson,  
 Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency,  
 India.

Dear Sir:

This is just a little note of congratulation on the prospect of Miss Orr's coming out to join you. We are hoping to see her at the new missionaries' conference next week, and shall send out our kind regards to you by her.

I was sorry to hear from your personal report that you felt a little bit disappointed over your language study, but I hope you are feeling encouraged now and that the lesson which you will want to give Miss Orr, when she comes, will help you as much as her.

What became of the Kolhapur station report this year? All the other reports were received but not that, so that we had to piece out extracts from the various personal reports, and the statement is not nearly as full and satisfactory as it should be.

I trust that as you go on in your work in India, you have a joyful consciousness that it is becoming an increasingly fruitful work, full of rich and abiding result. We all know where the secret of such power is to be found. A friend sent me recently a little pamphlet, containing it, entitled "The Pastor and Prayer"; he wrote on the margin of the title-page, "This has done me good", and sent it on to me. If we would only make use of that secret with prayer and the measureless power that is hidden in it, we would see more of the large and enduring fruitage that we desire; and this passing on of the secret to the extent that we have discovered it ourselves, is, I suppose, after all, one of the very best ways of accomplishing the result we long for. If we find it so

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ourselves, it must be equally true in your relations with the native men with whom you work. Assuredly, that is the best kind of training a native can have, - the kind they get from contact with one who loves them, who works with them, and whose own life is the highest and most intelligible picture they will see and grasp. Dr. Moffett of Korea brought this out strongly and forcibly in a paper, which he read at the celebration last Fall of the Twentieth Anniversary of the establishment of Protestant Missions in Korea. I enclose a few paragraphs of his address. And after all, the missionary is the human source of the Native Church, and very rarely will anybody in the Native Church rise above him. When there will be found among the native Christians, men of independence who resort to God, men who go straight to the Divine fountain for their illumination, their life, there will be among the native Christians, men who will rise above the missionaries. But the native Church as a whole, and most of its leaders, will find only these sources of power and life: those displayed in the lives of missionaries with whom they associate. I do earnestly trust that you may be such a man of God, and your influence so rich and strong and powerful, and your own inner fellowship with God so intimate and abiding and holy, that those with whom you work must inevitably feel the stimulus, the pressure, the uplifting of it, and then draw near to the Divine life that has come near in you.

Looking forward with pleasure to hearing from you, and with kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,



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 May 23, 1905.

Rev. E. A. Bedford,  
 Colaba, Bombay Presidency,

India.

My dear Mr. Bedford:

Your good letter of Dec. 16th, was received long ago. A copy of it was made for use among the churches contributing to the support of the work in Kolhapur. We were glad to have all the good personal letters from Kolhapur that we did have this year, because through a leakage somewhere, no station report from Kolhapur was received this year; and we have learned to look forward to the available station reports from West India and also very much the good full summary from Kolhapur. There was the leakage?

Long before this, you will have received the action of the Board with reference to the limitations of Power of Attorney, to which problem you refer in your letter. I was thankful for the little P.S. to your letter with reference to Miss Enright. I think it was a just diagnosis of the difficulty, and I hope that before this everything has been straightened out happily, and that Miss Enright will be all the wiser for the experience which she has passed.

Our hearts do go out to you in your great sorrow on account of your son. Hold as bold courageously to the faith that in due time, he will be restored to the world life he was living, before this shadow fell on his trial. God, who is sitting to deliver, will bring him safely through these dark waters.

I hope that you are not overtaxing yourself. It is easy to take on too much strain and to crack under it. You must be very careful in the midst of your hard work, with the feelings of isolation and solitary responsibility, which it must often bring to you, to keep in the tran-

all peace of Christ's perfect grace.

I often recall the lesson hymn which I heard for the first time while on a visit to Keswick;

There a vision glorious is God's perfect peace,  
Ever all victorious in its bright increase.  
Perfect, yet it floweth fuller every day,  
Perfect, yet it groweth brighter all the way.

Chorus.

Stayed upon Jehovah, hearts are fully blessed,  
Finding, as He promised, perfect peace and rest.

Hidden in the hollow of His blessed hand,  
Fear for our future, never further stand;  
Not a shade of worry, not a touch of care,  
Not a surge of hurry reach the spirit there.

III.

Every joy and sorrow cometh from above,  
Traced upon our dial by the Sun of Love.  
We may trust Him wholly all for us to do,  
They that trust Him wholly, find Him wholly true."

Keswick was a place where the spirit of this hymn was almost tangibly present. There was a great tranquil peace there. I was reading the other day some extracts from the life of George H.C. Macgregor, in one of which he describes to his sister his impressions after his first visit to Keswick:

... and I have learned the absolute necessity of faith, nothing is impossible. I have learned that God has taken me and life can be infinitely brighter than ever. To-morrow, I go to Glasgow, and then pass on as rapidly as possible to Inverness. I have learned that God has taken me and life can be infinitely brighter than ever. To-morrow, I go to Glasgow, and then pass on as rapidly as possible to Inverness. I have learned that God has taken me and life can be infinitely brighter than ever. To-morrow, I go to Glasgow, and then pass on as rapidly as possible to Inverness.

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places.

Dr. and Mrs. Telford and their children and Robert Telford have  
 returned home and will be in the country and will be here a  
 little longer in Great Britain.

I am so glad that Mr. and Mrs. Goheen can look forward to  
 Robert's coming in the Fall. He and his wife will be a strong re-  
 inforcement to the Mission.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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May 29th, 1905.

Dr. Alex. S. Wilson,  
1447 G. Street,  
Lincoln, Nebraska.

My Dear Dr. Wilson:-

Dr. Brown has just told me of the illness of your Brother which called you away from the Assembly, and has given me your note, written to him from Lincoln. I am very sorry that you had to leave the Assembly under such anxiety, and trust that your Brother is already recovering, and that it will be possible for you, as you planned, to be here for the Conference.

Very cordially yours,



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June sixth, 1905.

Dr. W. J. Wanless,

156 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City.

My Dear Mr. Wanless:-

Can you arrange to see Miss Alice F. Jones, of the Punjab Mission, who is here at the Conference? She has been at home on furlough for more than year, and would be returning this Fall, but we should like to know whether in your judgment she is well enough to go back in the Fall. If not, how much longer do you think would be necessary before she would be able to return?

It is a comfort to have you here at the Conference, and to be able to get your careful and reliable judgment regarding these doubtful cases.

Very affectionately yours,

June 10th, 1905.

Mrs. L. B. Tedford,

Maryville, Tenn.

My Dear Mrs. Tedford:-

The first opportunity to bring up your letter of June 9th for consideration was this morning, when I read it at the meeting of the Council, and the question which you present was very sympathetically considered. The two questions that were uppermost were, first, the question as to whether you were sure that it would be necessary for Mr. Tedford to return, and second, whether in that case the Board would be likely to feel able to assume the full expense with the responsibility of withdrawing thus one of the most experienced workers from the field.

As to the first, it was suggested that I should write and ask whether you had consulted the doctors who had been in charge of Arthur, and whether they felt that it was essential that Mr. Tedford should come back at this important time.

With reference to the second question, it was felt that at least the Board might be asked to do what it did in the case of one of its missionaries from Chili, who felt that he ought to return on account of the necessities of his family here after he had been on the field for five years, and who proposed that the board should meet five-eighths of the expense of the journey, and he would meet the balance, this representing the proportion of the full term of service which he had spent on the field. Do you think that such a plan would meet the necessities in Mr. Tedford's case?

I do not need to tell you how thoroughly and deeply we all sympathize with you, or how joyfully we have heard of Arthur's great improvement.

I shall be very glad to bring the matter up again on hearing from you, and trust that if there is any way in which I can be of service to you, you will let me know.

Very sincerely yours,



June 20th, 1905.

Miss Grace L. Enright,

Sangli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Enright:-

Your letter of May 4th has been received. I rather gather from it that you have given your resignation to the Mission and the matter is before the Mission; but it may be that you contemplate our Board's acting upon it here. In order to relieve your mind of anxiety, and to have the question which has perplexed you, and I suppose the Mission for so long, definitely settled, your letter was laid before the Board at its meeting yesterday, and your resignation finally accepted. In view of the years you have been in the work, and of the considerations mentioned in your letter, it was voted to regard your financial responsibilities for any return of outfit and travel as discharged.

I can appreciate your conscientiousness in the matter, and earnestly hope that you may indeed have been guided, as you believe that you have been, by the Divine Spirit, and that He may keep you in all your ways, and enable you to do in India, or wherever you may be, His perfect will.

With kind regards, and assuring you of our sympathy with you in your desire to please Him alone, I am,

Very faithfully yours,

*James S. King*



June 25, 1908.

The Rev. T. B. Tedford,  
Kohlapur, India.

My dear Mr. Tedford:

Your letter of June 2nd. was received this week. Two weeks ago, we received a letter from Mrs. Tedford on the same subject, expressing the strong feeling that you ought to come back in order to help in the guidance of Arthur on his return home. I wrote to Mrs. Tedford, asking whether this was the judgment of the physicians also and raising the question as to how far it would be right for the Board to go in meeting the return expenses in such a case. In a letter received this week, she says that both she and Mr. Tedford are more strongly than ever convinced that you ought to come, and with regard to the expense, she says that whatever is felt to be right, she is sure could be altogether satisfactory to you, so it would be to her. The whole question was carefully considered this morning and the following action was taken, this seeming to be the best of action that would be most helpful to you, and most just to the whole work and most consistent with the right administration of the Board:

"In view of the special family considerations in the case of Mr. Tedford, and the fact that he has been in the service of the Board for a long period, the Board is of the opinion that it is right and proper to meet the expenses of his return to India, and to grant him a leave of absence for a period of six months, to be reckoned from the date of his departure from India, in order that he may be able to spend some time with his family, and in view of the special considerations, it was voted to regard Mr. Tedford as having completed a full term of service in the field this coming Fall."

I share with you and Mrs. Tedford the feelings of keen regret that you have to return from the work at this time, and yet to rejoice that Arthur is so well settled and that there is so much bright



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hope that with wise and prudent care, he will return to his true self again.

I must not delay in getting this letter off so will not prolong it.

With warm regards and deep sympathy,

Your sincere friend,

Robert E. Lopez



June 30, 1903.

The Rev. T. H. Mannum,  
Vengurle, India.

My dear Mr. Mannum:

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter just written to Mr. [unclear]. I have written it in haste in order to catch to-night's European mail, so that there may be no delay in sending this word out to you.

I have received a letter from Miss Enright, renewing I think for the third time her resignation. It was not entirely clear from the letter as to whether the matter was still before the Mission, or not, but I assumed that after some consideration, she intended her letter to be a formal and final resignation sent to the Board, and in view of the uncertainty that has already surrounded the matter, the following was presented to the Board and the following action was taken:

"The renewed resignation of Miss Grace E. Enright of the [unclear] Mission, India, was [unclear] and was withdrawn before action by the Board, and the [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] by the Board, was finally accepted."

With warm regards to Mrs. Mannum and yourself,

Your sincere friend,  
*Robert S. Spang*



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June 30, 1907.

Mr. A. T. Wiley,  
Mission Treasurer,  
St. Louis, Mo.

I am writing just a word  
to catch to-night's European mail to Mr. Bedford,  
and send a copy to you as Mission Treasurer of  
my letter to him and also a copy to Mr. Hannon.

With warm regards to Mrs. Wylie and your-  
self,

Your sincere friend,  
*W. L. G. H. H.*

June 30th, 1905

Rev. L. E. Tedford,  
 Knoxville, Tenn.

My dear Mr. Tedford:

Your note of June 29th is just received this morning. There was a meeting of the Executive Council of the Board, which has authority to act on urgent questions, this morning, and I brought up your letter, and also the story Mr. Tedford, received on Monday, and the following action was taken:

In view of the special family emergency, due to the condition of their son Arthur, it was voted in the case of the Rev. L. E. Tedford and Mrs. Tedford, the latter on the field in the Western India Mission, and the latter at home, to accept of Mr. Tedford's return to America, which both he and Mrs. Tedford feel to be imperatively necessary, and to agree to provide in Mr. Tedford's case, what is provided in the case of Mexico and Philippine Missions, namely, a furlough of six months and traveling expenses one way at the close of half the term of service; and in view of the special considerations, it was voted to regard Mr. Tedford as having completed a half term of service in the Fall of 1905,

I am writing now to Mr. Tedford, so that he will be able to make his plans at once.

I do hope and pray that Arthur may continue to improve, and that before long he may be able to take up again the work which was so sadly interrupted.

With warm regards,

Very sincerely yours,



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July 7, 1906.

Dr. Alexander S. Wilson,  
1417 Q Street,  
Lincoln, Nebraska.

My dear Dr. Wilson:

Your good letter of June 16th. came while I was away at some of the Summer Student Conferences. It was acknowledged in my absence but I have only been able to say, on returning from Northfield, to take it up for reply. I hope that before this, your brother has entirely recovered and is steadily gaining and may soon be entirely well again.

I was interested in your comment on Dr. Bainbridge's address to the men at the Conference. I wish you would write down some thing what you think ought to have been said that was omitted, or any points that you feel from your experience ought especially to be pressed upon the new men. I have a very good paper from Dr. Parsons on the subject, but I wish you would jot down your views, so that we could read them, or have copies made to give to the new men, or could put them at the disposal of any other doctor who may speak to the new men in future, so that he could incorporate them in what he might say.

With reference to your question as to making special appeals for money for new stations. I wonder if you were present on the morning of the Conference when I spoke on the subject of Special Appeals, I venture to enclose a copy of a letter which I wrote to one of our missionaries in Japan, which will set forth what seemed to me to be the principles involved.

I believe heartily with you in our duty to push forward into advance work. We must do this all over the world, but we can only do this in a wise and permanent way by seeing that our foundations are solid under us. It will do no little good to build a house in the air

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with no foundation underneath. I mean that we must first get all the work of first importance provided for. Then we can go on to get all we can for the advance work. Take the Western India Mission, for example. The total cost of that Mission to the Board this year will be about \$37,000 Gold. Of this amount only about \$27,000. Gold is provided for by special object guarantees. These guarantees, of course, are not very binding but still they are fairly reliable. Now, it seems to me that the first thing for us to do is to cover the rest of the amount needed for the work of the Western India Missions, before seeking pledges for advance work. When we have got covered by pledges the amount which the Mission deems to be of primary importance, then it seems to me we should feel free to push hard for contributions for advance work.

Will you please return the copy of my letter to Miss Monk, which I enclose, when I have read it.

With kind regards to Mrs. Wilson and yourself.

Very cordially yours,



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July 25th, 1905.

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TO THE WESTERN INDIA MISSION,

My dear Friends:--

We have learned with very great sorrow of the continued illness of Dr. and Mrs. Irvin, and earnestly hope that the trip to Australia, which they have been advised by the doctors to take, may prove the means of saving them to the work from which they would be so greatly missed. The action of the Executive Committee of the Mission with reference to their leave of absence and their travels, as set forth in the minutes of the meeting upon receipt of Dr. Manson's letter, and I would be glad to hear of your success.

"Action of the Executive Committee of the Western India Mission, accompanied by medical certificates, was presented regarding the approval by the Executive Committee of a leave of absence for Dr. and Mrs. Irvin, and a request of the Board for 1905-1906 to defray the travelling expenses for their trip to Australia. It was voted in reply to approve of the action of the Executive Committee as to leave of absence, but, instead of making a special appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer to advance the salary of Dr. and Mrs. Irvin during their absence until such time as the Board, understanding that if this should not prove adequate assistance and further help was absolutely necessary, the matter might be so presented to the Board by the Mission at its annual meeting."

You will hear from the Treasurer doubtless in due time as to the sailing of Dr. and Mrs. Gohsen and Miss Orr. It is expected that they will sail from Liverpool September 27th. Dr. and Mrs. Gohsen expect to stay a little while in England where Dr. Gohsen will give some time to the study of tropical diseases, and they will go on probably in December.

Everybody is pleased with Dr. and Mrs. Gohsen and Miss Orr, and we rejoice both for the sake of the work of the Mission as well as for those who are specially expecting the coming of these new missionaries either because

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of present or prospective ties of family relationship. Mr. Simpson is to be heartily congratulated.

I reported recently to Mr. Hanna <sup>two</sup> two actions which are to be formally communicated in this letter, one approving the return of Mr. Tedford, as follows:--

"In view of the special family emergency due to the condition of their son Arthur, it was voted in the case of the Rev. W. F. Tedford and Mrs. Tedford, the former on the field of the Western India Mission, and the latter at home, to assent to Mr. Tedford's return to America, which both he and Mrs. Tedford feel to be <sup>absolutely</sup> necessary, and to agree to provide in Mr. Tedford's case, which is provided in the case of the Mexican and Philippine Missions, a furlough of six months and traveling expenses one way, at the close of half a term of service, and in view of the special circumstances it was voted to regard Mr. Tedford as having completed a half term of service in the fall of 1905."

The other referred to the resignation of Miss Grace Enright. It was not quite clear from her letter as to whether the matter was before the Mission in any open way, or whether she had sent her resignation to the Mission as something final; but in view of all preceding correspondence on the subject, it was voted to forward her letter to the Board as a formal resignation, addressed to the Board, and it was accepted as final. I judge from some letters received from Pittsburgh that Miss Enright wrote home that she has been in financial straits. Her letter stated that she had drawn no salary since the first of January, I believe. I replied that we had no information to this effect, and we were sure that nothing but what was entirely just and equitable would be done, for, so far as the records of the Board are concerned, Miss Enright was a missionary of the Board and entitled therefore to its support until the date of the final acceptance of her resignation of June 19th.

We earnestly hope that all the members of the Mission are well, and that the coming winter may be the best and most fruitful we have ever known, I am,

Your sincere friend,

Secretary.



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July 27th, 1905.

Dr. Winifred T. Heaton,

Kohlapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Dr. Heaton:--

I have again and again taken up your letters of November 8th and January 27th to reply only to have something else push in and crowd out the purpose to write you a little personal letter.

Formal letters to the Mission have informed you long ere this of the actions of the Board relieving you of your connection with the settlement and arranging your salary in accordance with your desire and the recommendation of the Mission. I trust that everything has been going smoothly and that you are altogether happy in your work.

Am very sorry to know of the continued illness of Dr. Irwin. Have you good hope that the trip to Australia will restore him to health so that he can go on with the work, or is there a possibility that he may have to abandon it and come home?

Before this letter reaches you, you will have welcomed Dr. and Mrs. Wanless back to the field, and the end of the year or the beginning of next year you will see Dr. and Mrs. Goheen. They will be a fine addition to the staff. They are both of them capable, efficient and attractive people.

The encouragements in the work may be few, but, after all, how little we know what is small and what is large. I suppose if we could only know the inwardness of facts, we should see many of the things that we deem small are immense in determining consequences. I found a very striking passage on this subject a while ago in one of Tolstoi's essays. The essay was entitled, 'Do Men

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"Stupify Themselves?" and it was an argument against thinking that any influence is small that affects the inner consciousness and moral life. I enclose a copy of the passage that especially impressed me. There is something terrifying about the thought that the very finest thing may have some immense and eternal consequence, but on the other hand, there is something immensely encouraging about it. We do not need to be doing spectacular and conspicuous things in order to do something admirable and useful. The quiet piece of work that we do, largely unobserved by the world, perhaps even contemptuously regarded by the world, is, after all, the greatest work that is being done in the world. Whenever I am disposed to get discouraged and to think how much better it would be to be building bridges, or arguing law cases, or performing operations, and how intangible and remote all this spiritual and moral work is, I remind myself that after all, it is all these things that are the eternal things, and all that is going to last of any work done in the world is the moral and spiritual part of it--the impression or character created. From this point of view it seems to me that one sees and is uplifted by the moral spirit of the missionary enterprise, and feels the immense spiritual consequences of every small act of it.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Henry





September 7, 1905.

Dr. Robert H. Cochen,  
Wooster, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Cochen:

I was glad to receive on returning to the office yesterday, your note of August 18.

I received a letter before I left New York from Dr. Harford, in which he said he would look forward with pleasure to seeing you. I think it would be worth your while to look him up when you are in London, and to see what he has at Livingstone College. I should be glad to know what you think of it and the possibility of our making any use of it. Dr. Harford is the physician of the Church Missionary Society also, and it would be a good thing for you to get acquainted with him.

This is just a little farewell note, with warm regards to your mother and yourself, and with earnest wishes that you may have a delightful voyage and a pleasant stay in England, and a safe journey on your return.

With kind regards to you both,

Your sincere friend,

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Mrs. L. F. Tedford,  
Maryville, Tenn.

My Dear Mrs. Tedford:-

Your note, with its enclosure for Mr. Tedford, was received yesterday. The enclosure will be kept for him, and given to him when he comes. A letter received this morning from him states that he will leave Glasgow to-morrow, on the steamship "Astoria," due in New York on the 28th. I am so glad for his sake and your sake and your son's sake that he is so near.

Very cordially yours,



September 21st, 1905.

Dr. W. J. Wanless,

Miraj, India.

My Dear Dr. Wanless:-

I was very glad to get some weeks ago, your note telling of your safe arrival in Miraj. I could imagine that you found plenty of work awaiting you to be done, and probably you are as deep in it now as though you had never left India at all.

I hope that you and Mrs. Wanless and Ethel are all very well, and that God may preserve your health - the health of each of you, and allow no sickness to come to you.

It was so good to see so much of you all while you were here, and I know that you left behind you many good influences.

At last we have got out the little book, "Counsel to New Missionaries," to which you have generously contributed a chapter. I am sending a copy of the book by this mail, and we should be glad to send a few extra copies if you wish them. We are sending copies to all the men and unmarried women in the Missions of our Church, and will supply copies, of course, to all new missionaries as they are appointed. We are all greatly pleased with the little book. I do not believe there is anywhere in the same compass any such volume of so much sound missionary counsel.

With great gratitude for your most valuable contribution, and warm regards to Mrs. Wanless and Ethel and yourself, I am,

Very affectionately yours,

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October 11th, 1905.

Miss Grace E. Wilder,

Kanegaon via Varad,

Satara District, India.

My Dear Miss Wilder:-

Your good letter of July 15th was received quite a long while ago, and only recently your letter of August 1st. A copy of the former letter was sent as you requested, to Dr. Atterbury. Dr. and Mrs. Johnston had already left America, so there was no opportunity to give your message to them.

I was so glad to know of the happy location of the Settlement at Kanegaon, and I have heard more fully about it from Miss Foster, who was here the other day, and with whom I had a good long talk.

I need not say that I was taken by surprise by your letter of August 1st, and Mr. Morehead's letter written on receiving your letter to him of August third. Mr. Morehead and I have been corresponding on the subject since, and I have delayed answering until we might have another letter.

I enclose herewith copies of my two letters to him, from which you will easily be able to infer the substance of his letters to me, of which he has doubtless himself already written. As you will see, the "Miss" problem presented itself in a dual aspect. Should the "Miss" be appointed to the Western India Mission to work with you there, or should he be appointed to the Punjab Mission, and you be transferred with him. I have spoken of both of these aspects of the question in my letters to him.

You speak of Mr. Morehead's health and of your feeling that he would be as well in India as elsewhere, and I think that that probably would be the case. I should feel more solicitude on account of your health, however, and I am sure that you will take this very carefully and prayerfully into consideration, if indeed you have not already done so, in thinking of such a possibil-



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ity as you and Mr. Marshhead are so warmly attached to. In its personal aspects we should of course wish you both the richest joy, and most earnestly congratulate you both. Thinking of the question as we must, however, in its relation to the Missions in India, and to the responsibilities which the Board would assume, we have not been able to pass upon the judgment intimated in my letter to Mr. Marshhead.

If you and Mr. Marshhead are to be married and should leave the Settlement, I do not believe it will be practicable to continue the plan during the absence of Miss Wilder and Mrs. Johnson. That would leave Mr. Marshhead alone. I have not, accordingly, written to Miss Gardner. Indeed, I do not gather from your letter that the Settlement as a whole has considered the question and desires to ask the Board for Miss Gardner's appointment. I presume of course that it would be too much to expect such a request to come from the Mission, and yet I have rather gathered that a number of members of the Mission, who in the past have held aloof from the Settlement, were taking up a more cordial attitude toward it. I trust it may be so.

I hope you will be very careful of your own health and not undertake too much, and strive under the pressure of the many things calling to be done, to do what will over-tax your strength. I wonder if you have read any of the biographical sketches regarding Dr. Trumbull published by his son-in-law, Mr. Philip Howard, in the Sunday School Times? You know he was one of the men who simply could not be restrained. For years he would take no vacation, and generally, ridicules those who did feel the necessity of such an annual rest. At last he completely broke down and had to be sent away, first to New Hampshire, and afterwards to Germany; and while he recovered sufficiently to go on with his work, and was able to do nothing, did everything he could, he felt to the end the effects of his over-strain which he had passed through. His friend, Dr. E. I. Wayland, one of the brightest and finest spirited men in the Baptist Church, wrote humorously, and yet with a vast deal of droll wisdom, about this quality in Dr. Trumbull, in an article which he published in his paper, the

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Examiner, in August 1886. It was entitled "The Victim of Excess," and I enclose herewith a copy of it. I hope that you, who do not spare yourself, and who know so well what work is - the spirit and intensity and volume of work which a Christian man and woman ought to do, will not allow yourself to be a victim of excess. Even when we have done all that we can, and have broken ourselves down in trying to do more, the volume of undone work seems scarcely diminished. Let us try to be wise, and stop before we get to the breaking down point. I have often quoted Huxley's words to Sir Joseph Donnelly, when he heard of the death of Chinese Gordon, whom he had admired and revered in the highest degree. "I suppose that after all, the manner of his death was just what he would have chosen for himself. Better to wear out than to rust out, and better to break than to wear out." But, as Dr. Wayland says, this is good advice only for those lazy people who do not intend to heed it, and who always cut the good advice in two, and try to operate one-half of it. For those of us who really want to do our work, and do it without shirking or holding back, and who put our hearts into it and do not do it simply mechanically or for provender, it is enough to strive steadily and without ceasing to do what is clearly the will of God, and with quiet hearts; even though so much is often left undone what we should like to do.

With kindest regards to your Mother and Mrs. Havens and Miss Giles, who are with you, and to Miss Scheurman, who is busy elsewhere, I am,

Your sincere friend,



October 17th, 1905.

To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:-

Mr. E. G. Emerson, of Titusville, Pennsylvania, who is, as you know, supporting two hundred of the famine orphans under the care of the Western India Mission, sends his check for thirty dollars, to cover a Christmas present of fifteen cents to each one of his orphans. This amount has been added to the famine fund here, and you are authorized to draw fifteen cents for each of the two hundred orphans supported by Mr. Emerson. If through death or withdrawals you do not now have two hundred orphans assigned to Mr. Emerson, it would be well if the number could be made up by assigning to him children who may have been individually supported hitherto, but whose support has failed.

Mr. B. B. Sturgis, a lawyer of Scranton, Pennsylvania, who is greatly interested in Missions, and who has been supporting two hundred orphans, reported to us when he came back, that he had been able to find only 185 of his children, and he is redrawing now to Mr. Hand for the support of that number. He was profoundly impressed with the work that was being done for them, and in which he was privileged to have a share; but of course he did not feel that he was properly chargeable with the support of more children than were actually assigned to him. Mr. Emerson is paying for two hundred, and we are receiving his generous gift with the understanding that that number of children are assigned to him. As any children may drop out for one cause or another, please see that some other child is designated. It need not necessarily be a new child of course. Preferably it should be some one of the children already under the Mission's care for whom there may not have been any special provision.

With kind regards.

Your sincere friend,

October 17th, 1905.

Mrs. Lillian E. Havens,

Kasegoon via Karad,

Satara District, India.

My Dear Mrs. Havens:-

I was ~~confused~~ to-day, as I have been trying to answer some of the India letters which have accumulated, to see how long it has been since I wrote to you. And I notice that in your last letter you ask a question regarding your salary, stating that in the appropriations sent out by Mr. Hand, you had been given a Pundit, an allowance not made hitherto in connection with the Settlement. It was an oversight in the Treasurer's office, in view of the fact that the understanding when the Settlement ladies went out was that there were to be no such appropriations. By the time a letter could have reached the field after your letter was received, however, it would have been very near the end of the year, and the letter was just left for its adjustment by Mr. Hand in dealing with the settlement of the Western India accounts for the year. If you drew the money and used it, no criticism could have been made. If, on the other hand, you did not, it would simply lapse at the end of the year and the Treasurer of the Board be saved that charge.

I want to thank you also for your kind note written on board the steamship as you crossed the Atlantic. It has been a real pleasure to hear from you, and also to hear of you. From several sources we have heard of the true Christian spirit with which you have taken up the work, and the efficient way in which you are setting about it.

I have been so glad to learn from Miss Wilder and Miss Giles of your ability to undertake the kind of work for which the Settlement was established in just such a centre as was in view from the beginning. I trust that the work that is done this year may be such good and fruitful work as to convince everyone



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of the feasibility and wisdom of the Settlement plan.

"What a wonderful faith it is that has been given to us to know, that we who are so few in numbers, and arrayed against so great a mass of ignorance and superstition, will yet by the grace of God prevail; and that we can have His comfort and the rich joy of His presence with us however buried we may seem to be. And I trust that this work is proving a spiritual stimulus and strength to you. After all, it is not ceasing from work that rests us, but doing our work in the spirit and after the example of the Saviour. I wrote some time ago to a faithful missionary in Japan, expressing the hope that he was not over-tiring himself. He was far away from the other members of his Mission, occupying with his family a Station to one side of ordinary routes of travel, and leaving his responsibilities without much opportunity of counsel with others.

He replied:

"I do not like to talk much about my private feelings, but I can unburden to you. I have such a consciousness of God's presence in the work, just as you describe it in the Keswick hymn, 'Like a river glorious is God's perfect peace,' so the thought is refreshing to me in the work and I do not get tired. I believe that if we lived more naturally as the Master did, that we would not get so tired in doing good and in helping others. My weariness comes from I am self-centered and selfish. When I go about trying to do little things to help others, remembering Him, I can be busy from morning to night and then not feel tired. But I have to fight all day against a selfish heart. It is hard for me to report my year's work to the Mission - it seems so small and trifling. But when the Japanese express to me their gratitude and show it by honoring me in various ways, then I am sure that the Master counts it as done to Him. I do not feel the isolation because He is right here, and His little ones are all around me. The self-centered man, if he has money, travels for pleasure; but the man who is trying to relieve others' burdens, though living in an isolated place, has all the tonic he needs and does not feel the necessity of travel. The laborer comes to his meals with an appetite that no condiments can help, but the man of sedentary habits needs these condiments to help him relish his food. Now I know what Socrates meant when He said, 'I have zeal to eat that ye know not of.' When I have spent a busy day in trying to be a help to others, I feel as if my food is the best, my place the best in the world, my work just what I would have had it had I been offered the choice.

"I am now observing the 'Morning Watch,' only regretting that for so many years I was so faithless. What a tonic! There must be some ones who are praying for me, though I know them not by name, and so I feel like praying for others.

"I think that Conventions like the one at Keswick are very good and helpful. But what are missionaries who live in isolated places to do? Evidently they can read the reports of the meetings, and practice them in their work day by day. We have no opportunities to attend these assemblies; but if the Holy Spirit is not limited, then in mountain villages, and in fishing

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handlets, we too can have blessed seasons of refreshment. If the missionary grows slack in his spiritual life, it is not because he is isolated. No place could probably be more untoward than was Nazareth, yet Christ lived there."

It is absurd thing that God is everywhere, and where He is, there is strength and peace.

I hope that you are very well, and shall be glad to hear from you very soon and very often.

With kind regards to all.

Your sincere friend,



October 17th, 1905.

The Rev. H. Arthur Fernan,  
Sangli, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My Dear Mr. Fernan:-

I have kept in my letter basket for a whole year your kind note written just before you sailed, so that I might have it as a memorandum to remind me to write to you. I am sorry I have not been more responsive to this reminder; and I have also to confess an unduly long delay since the receipt of your good letter of February third. We have heard of the energetic and efficient way in which you have taken hold of the work, and I have been told that you were getting along famously with the language. I am so glad that you have had an opportunity to visit the different stations, and to see their work. It is a great help to a man to know all the Stations of his Mission. From time to time you will have opportunity to repeat this first tour, and I trust that the interest of all the Stations may be as well known to you, and as much your concern as the interest of the particular Station in which you happen at any time to be located.

I hear that the visit to Australia has been a great help to Dr. Erwin and Mrs. Erwin, and I do hope that they may come back quite well and able to go on with their work. Surely, the resolution and strength of will shown by Dr. Erwin deserve such a reward. Miss Foster told me that several times when he was reminded that he was very sick, his resolute reply was that he simply did not intend to die now. There have been men who have been kept alive for many years beyond the time at which they might have died by such purpose. I think that Dr. Trumbull was.

Your refer in your letter of February third to your salary. What was the final adjustment made of it with the Mission Treasurer? In the appro-

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provisions for the new year it was of course fixed at \$648. For the year, or three-fifths of a married man's salary. Did you find the amount provided by the Mission Treasurer up to the beginning of the fiscal year inadequate?

I shall look forward with great pleasure to hearing from you before long, with some account of the work of the school, and your mature observations of the general needs, and the problems of the work.

I hope you find time to read half a dozen, a dozen, or a score of good books each year; I read last evening a rather touching letter from Mrs. Lengerdorf of Japan, in reply to something I had written her about the importance of exercise, in which she outlined her work in her own home, and the care of her children, and in all the classes of evangelistic work and other forms of activity in which she was engaged; and then said that for a long, long time she had not read anything except her Bible. Well, I think that most of us read a great deal of rubbish, papers and books that leave behind no residuum of intellectual possession or elevation of character. It would be a fine thing for us if we had the discernment to perceive our waste and had the strength of will to stop it. In Chinese Gordon's letters to his Sister, which I was reading this summer, Gordon writes from Jerusalem of his discontinuance of the newspapers; he felt that they were simply slaughtering his intellect, and debasing the whole tone of his life. He had the wisdom to see this, and the will at once to cut out what he felt was weak. Later letters show that he was still taking the London Times, and that that much newspaper doesn't hurt one. But I believe that often we are hurt, sometimes positively, sometimes negatively, however good reading makes good reading impossible. We certainly ought not, however, be reduced to our Bibles alone. If one book is all we can read, that is the right book; but I believe that everyone of us ought to make time for the intellectual freshening, the increase of personal power, and the deepening of our sympathetic understanding of human life which come from reading the best books. Mr. Brockman, who is at the head of the Young Men's Christian Association work in China, and who is taking hold back with him this year, fifteen new books



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aries for work in China and Korea, told me he hoped to have every one of his men read four of the best books every year, in order to make sure that they did not stagnate. If you want a few good ones, which you may not have had yet, I would suggest, George Gordon's "The Christ of To-day"; Dowdend's "The Ideal Life"; Mrs. Cheney's "Life and Letters of Horace Bushnell"; Tullock's "Leaders of Religious Thought in Great Britain." I think you would find these stimulating books.

The next Student Volunteer Convention is to be held in Nashville next February. The Southern people are very cordial in their acceptance of it, and I believe it will be a meeting of even deeper spiritual influence than the meeting in Toronto.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

October 17th, 1905.

Miss Amanda M. Jefferson,

Ratnagiri,

Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Jefferson:-

I meant a long time ago to write in reply to your personal report to the last meeting of the Mission, which was so much like a personal letter that I always thought of it as such, and I ought to have written to you before this, to thank you for your good letter of March ninth, with its enclosed pages from Miss Mary Rogers. I hope that the way may open for her some time into the field. It is always good to hear from you. I hope you have been well since going back. You people at Ratnagiri have a harder climate, have you not, than they have over the other side of the ghats. I hope you are all staying well in it and under the pressure of the work.

I, too, am glad that that dream you dreamed a year ago was not true. It would have been good to see you, but it would not have been good to see you knowing that you had traveled all the way from India just for the sake of one week's stay in America. Have you had any more dreams like that during the year?

We are waiting further word with reference to Mrs. Wiley's health. At the time of the last letters she was not able to be about, and we are earnestly hoping that the next reports may be more favorable. She and Mr. Wiley have been such good efficient workers that it is not possible to think of their breaking down in the work.

I hope that you will not undertake too much, and strive under the pressure of the many things calling to be done, to do what will wear-out your strength. I wonder if you have read any of the biographical chapters regarding Dr. Trumbull published by his son-in-law, Mr. Philip Howard, in the Sunday School



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I am going to write to Miss Sybel Brown to-day. I am glad that she is so happy in the work at Kodoli, as Miss Foster reports it.

With kind regards to Miss Minor and yourself.  
Your sincere friend,

October 19th, 1898.

Miss Helen C. Foster,

Madison, Wisconsin, U.S.A.

My Dear Miss Foster-

I have just received your letter of the 14th and am glad to hear of your success in your efforts to secure the support of the people of Madison. It is a very gratifying thing to see you with an entirely English disposition, but just what I had hoped for. I am glad to hear that you were able to get away in the car last night, and get to your room in time for bed. That was a very good thing to do, and I am glad to hear that you brought a letter to your mother and to your father, and that you were able to see them before you left. I have been thinking of you very much, and I am glad to hear that you are all well. I have been thinking of you very much, and I am glad to hear that you are all well.

Miss Foster tells me that you are very busy in your work. I should be very glad to hear from you again, and I am glad to hear that you are getting the children to do. We consistently work together in our work in Madison, and we are glad to hear that you are all well. We are glad to hear that you are all well, and we are glad to hear that you are all well. We are glad to hear that you are all well, and we are glad to hear that you are all well.

I have been thinking over some of the great difficulties of our field of work, and can imagine that at times you must almost be discouraged by them; and yet it is just these difficulties that it is our mission to overcome. I was very much struck by a paragraph in your letter from a strong missionary, who said:

"We have plan to do this, and we are glad to hear that you are all well. We are glad to hear that you are all well, and we are glad to hear that you are all well. We are glad to hear that you are all well, and we are glad to hear that you are all well."



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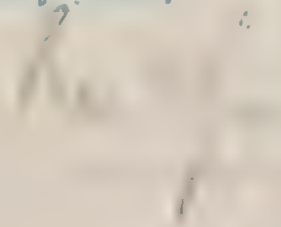
for the impossible.' That may be a very impassioned way of putting it, but there is truth in it. We do not really test God until we try the impossible. He will transform the impossible into reality, if we are in line with His thought."

I was reminded at once of some of the passages in the Life of General S. C. Armstrong, who, as you know, was just this type of man. It seems to me that one of the great things that Christ does for us is to give us an appetite for obstacles, a eagerness to attempt what it is not easy to do. There is a fine saying of Henry W. Stanley regarding Clave, who was one of his lieutenants, and who made an independent journey of his own in Africa: "He was one of the men who relish a task for its bigness, and who great hard labor with a fierce joy." Paul surely was that sort of a man, and that spirit is at the root of the whole missionary enterprise. I do not wonder that the world has always looked upon it as presumptuous and visionary. It does represent the principles of the <sup>east</sup> resurrection, which seem to the world utterly wild. But we know that the glory of it is that the impossible things which we are aiming to do will be done. The difficulty is to work all this into our own individual experience, and to feel personally the buoyancy and uplift of such an effort and faith; but this also is one of the hard things which, by the grace of God, we can achieve.

You will write fully, will you not, about your work? I shall look forward to seeing a good account of it in the Kodoli Station report which will come after the annual meeting of the Mission.

Yours truly,

Very sincerely yours,



October 27th, 1905.

The Rev. William H. Hannum,  
Vengurle, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Hannum:-

I owe you an acknowledgment of several good letters received from you dated July 4th, three, and July 13th, two, and also for a package of beautiful postal cards. If Vengurle is as attractive as the cards, it must have at least some very beautiful spots in it. I was glad to see the pictures of the missionary residences.

Mr. Tedford arrived safely. I have not heard from him since he reached home. Mr. Hand has had a letter or two, but they have referred to his accounts, and I do not know how he found his son. I only judge from the tone of his letters that he cannot speak with confidence as to what his plans will be in the future.

I judge from the fact that we haven't heard anything further from the Mission regarding the proposal concerning the employment of the various mission workers, that the Mission has not taken action. Probably it went over to annual meeting, and we shall hear in due time. I am sorry to have to say that unless things improve very much, there is little prospect of any additional aid from the Board for such cases of need. The deficit brought into the new year from the last year was over \$10,000. Then the liabilities to date are \$60,000.64 in excess of those for last year, and the receipts to date \$10,315.24 in arrears, so that the Board is really to the bad more than \$100,000. It has had to borrow from the banks \$135,000. At the same time, there has been an increase of receipts from the churches and from individual donors, but there has been a large falling off in legacies. This may be made up later in the year, however.

The excellent Kolhapur Station report came with your letter of July 4th. I am sorry that we did not have it for use earlier.



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I had thought that Miss Foster had been here the other day. I understood from the fact that Miss Fairlight had changed again and was desirous of returning to the States. She certainly has measured up somewhat to the poet's lines,

"Variable as the shade,  
By the light and quivering aspen made."

With reference to Dr. Williamson's bungalow at Miraj, I learned from Miss Foster that none of the money had ever been expended. I had supposed that the bungalow was already under way. Perhaps there were some other expenditures in which Miss Foster did not know. But she said there certainly was no bungalow.

I see that copious extracts from your letter of July 4th, regarding the work, were made in Dr. Halsey's office for the Church papers.

We shall await with much interest the Minutes of the Mission meeting, and also what regarding Dr. and Mrs. Smith. I am glad to hear that Mr. Hanson is back, and trust that Mr. Simpson's marriage may bring him even greater joy and efficiency in the work which he has been doing so faithfully.

I hope that in the midst of all your problems and difficulties the work is moving along with encouragement. I believe that one of the best things that Christ does for man is to give them an appetite for obstacles. I have always liked the statement which Stanley made about one of his lieutenants named Glave: "He was one of those men who relish a task for its bigness, and greet hard labor with a fierce joy." I had some good hours this summer reading over again Chinese Gordon's "Letters to His Sister." Taken in connection with a little biography like the one which Gordon wrote of his own life, "Gordon's Confessions," I can scarcely think of a more helpful, stimulating devotional book. It is a very different type of devotional book from Thomas a Kempis's "Imitation of Christ," but there is the same living reality in it, the same readiness to pay for the highest, at any cost of the lowest. Chinese Gordon has always been one of my heroes, as I suppose he is almost everyone's, and rereading his letters to his sister, while revealing afresh his own spiritual life and growth, has brought out in fresh and vivid glory his life in God, and his concept for all that chal-

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lenged and obstructed the man's freedom in fulfilling the will of God. I have marked my copy of his letters from beginning to end. When he was in China in 1830, he writes to his Sister:

"The more we see of life, the more one feels disposed to despise one's self and human nature, and the more one feels the necessity of steering by the Pole Star, in order to keep from shipwreck; in a word, live to God alone. If He smiles on you, neither the smile nor the frown of man can affect you. Thank God, I feel myself, in a great measure, dead to the world and its honors, glories and riches. Sometimes I feel this is selfish; well, it may be so, I claim no infallibility; but it helps me on my way. - Keep your eye on the pole star, guide your bark of life by that, look not to see how others are steering, enough it is for you to be in the right way. We can never steer ourselves aright; then why do we try to direct others? I long for quiet and solitude again. I am a poor insect; my heart tells me that I am glad of it."

The same year, when he got back to England, and went to one of his old posts, he writes:

"Nearly everyone I knew is dead. Odd! when I am living and have been through such dangers. This confirms one's belief that, till God has no use for you, He will keep you here; and if He does not want you here, He evidently will be pleased to use you in those other worlds of which I spoke. When I get alone, I think much more of God and His directing power. One's capacity is infinite, as one's being is, and one cannot be filled but by Infinity."

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With kind regards to Mrs. Hannan and yourself.

Your sincere friend,



October 27th, 1906.

Dr. A. C. Wilson,

Care Rev. G. H. Simonson,

18 South 5th Street,

Colorado Springs, Colorado.

My Dear Dr. Wilson:-

Your good letter from Colorado Springs was received a week ago. I do not know where you are now, but send I am sending this letter to you at the address you gave. I did not know that Mr. Simonson was in Colorado Springs, but am glad to hear of him, and trust you will remember me very warmly to him.

I have not written any letter recently to the Western India Mission except a brief note regarding Mr. Emerson's gift for Christmas to his organs, and I enclose a copy of it. The Minutes of the Mission meeting have not yet come, and my annual long letter to the Mission is written after the meeting, in copy in its relations; but I should be glad to send you a copy of this, and if you are this way, of course, you will be glad to read the Minutes and the various reports that come with them.

I want to ask whether you had heard anything regarding the difficulty between the Mission and the native states as to property? We have no word about it since the appeal of Mr. Graham's to the government in Bombay.

Nothing further had been heard regarding the size and length of the building. The question was raised by the Board last year regarding all three of the India Missions, and will be taken up by them, doubtless, at their meetings this fall. There are other similar cases that will need to consider it, also, as they will think that their conditions are not sufficiently different from yours in India to warrant a different rule from them. There seems to be some difference of view in the matter. Mr. Chamberlain of Brazil, who is not here, very

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much favors the change, cutting the budget in half, and the service a little more than one-half of what it is now.

I meant to acknowledge a letter received some time ago regarding the special appeals. If you are at the Conference next spring, I think we should like to take up the question again then. I imagine we would set the two opposite sides. At the same time, I think when you have had some experience in trying to get support from the home Church for Missions abroad, you will swing over to the same ways of looking at the matter to which experience seems to drive almost everyone who tries to do his work with absolute accuracy and honesty.

I hope you are having a good time, and with kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

*Handwritten signature*



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Dr. W. J. Vanless,

Miraj, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Dr. Vanless:-

Mr. Converse has agreed to give the \$400. additional for the Gas Plant for the Miraj Hospital. Mr. Bann has been authorized by the Board to draw on Mr. Converse for the amount and to credit it to the field. How easy it would be to carry the mission work and other good causes if every man was like Mr. Converse.

I am very glad to know that my little book on "The Principles of Jesus" has been so well received. It would be only too happy if any body wanted to translate it into Marathi. With reference to our getting Mr. Seiler to do so, my hesitation is that I do not believe the Board would think it could provide anything for such work. The question came up some time ago about employing Mr. Seiler for something of this kind in this country, but the Board did not feel that it could apply its money in this way. If Mr. Seiler wanted to do just as a bit of work in which he would be interested because of his missionary devotion, I am sure the publisher would have no objection. In that case it might be best if some one of you from the field could write directly to Mr. Seiler.

I had a good talk with Mrs. Vanless the other day. She seems like a thoroughly sensible, efficient woman.

I have not built you here and your lands more than full since returning, and I hope you will not undertake any more; and I trust Mrs. Vanless may be kept well.

I believe that one of the best things that Christ does for men is to give them an appetite for obstacles. I have always liked the statement which Stanley made about the "hardy" men of the world. He said "those men who seek a task for its own sake, and do it with a fierce joy." I

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British law services.

With regard to Mrs. Wrenless and her work  
I am, very respectfully,  
Yours truly,  
The Editor,

November 21st 1905.

Miss Grace L. Enright,  
 Danyapur, Berar,  
 India.

My Dear Miss Enright:-

Your letter of October third was received three weeks ago. I did not send any cablegram to the Mission, as you suggested, and I have delayed answering your letter until now, for several reasons. In the first place, we wanted to consult with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Philadelphia, with reference to what might be wise, and it was only this last week that I had an opportunity to talk over the matter with Mrs. Thorpe, the present President, and with Mrs. Turner, the former President. In the second place, we were not prepared to take any action that might prejudice the question before the Mission. Once before, as you know, the Board was willing to leave the matter to the Mission with power, but it did not feel willing to do that now; and it was felt that to notify the Mission that the matter was left to it with power, might imply an attitude on the part of the Board which it was not prepared as yet to take. It prefers to have the Mission consider the question entirely unbiassed and uninfluenced, and the Board will consider what it is right for it to do.

Let me say first of all, that we cherish only the most kindly feelings toward you. We have never felt otherwise toward you; and Miss Foster, who was here recently, spoke in the most sympathetic terms regarding you. We have sorrowed with your friends in what seemed to be your vacillation and fickleness; at the same time, we have felt keen sympathy with you in what we knew from your point of view was conscientious perplexity as to your duty. Whatever judgment the Board may finally reach, I can unreservedly assure you will be marked by none but the most kindly feelings for you. If it approves of your reinstatement in the Mission, it will do so heartily, and if it feels that this would be unwise,



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it will reach this judgment with no lack of cordial interest in you and your life work.

I ought to say, though, that there are things that give us concern. One is, the disposition in your letter to lay so much blame on your traveling companion to India. It is true you speak of having no word of reproach for her for the influence she exerted on you. At the same time, we are at a loss to understand how such a brief companionship could have been responsible for the changeableness which you have displayed since getting to India. It might have been the occasion of your instability of view, but it cannot have been the cause. I do not feel that it would be right to conceal our disappointment at your course, or our deep sorrow.

At the same time, we can understand the way in which you have reached the various decisions you have, and entirely believe in your earnest conscientiousness and your purpose to do just what is right.

Suppose the action of the Mission were favorable to your reinstatement, and the Board should take the same view, are you confident that you could go on and work in connection with our Mission and Church with a happy conscience, without a recurrence of your questionings, and perhaps a feeling that duty required you to make some change? There may not be time for you to answer this before the question will come before the Board after the receipt of the Minutes of the Western India Mission Meeting, and I presume the inquiry will have been made as to whether you are firmly convinced now in your own mind as to whether you have found secure anchorage, from which you will not be moved.

I know that meanwhile, in whatever position you have been, you have faithfully striven to do God's will, and I know that He will bless you and guide you so long as you honestly lay your life in His hands for His control.

With kind regards and best wishes.

Your sincere friend,

December 11, 1905.

Dr. Alex S. Wilson,  
Casson, Iowa.

My dear Dr. Wilson:--

I was very glad to get your letter of December 6, and to hear of the good trip you have had in Colorado. I hope you will keep in touch with some of the men out there whom you have helped, so that they will not forget the influence of your visit. If, during the rest of your furlough, you could write to a few men like Mr. Marsh and Mr. Stone and the others, it would doubtless help them and help them to help their people to press on toward the fulfillment of their missionary duty.

I am glad that the trip was so beneficial to you and family, and I trust that you found Mrs. Wilson and the children all well when you reached home.

The minutes of the Western India Mission have just come, but I have not read them through yet. As soon as they can be taken up by the Board and acted upon I will send you a copy of the letter to the Mission with reference to any actions of the Mission calling for the consideration of the Board.

With kind regards,

Very cordially yours,





December 31st, 1905.

Mr. Robert P. Wilder,  
22 Warwick Lane,  
London E. C., England.

My dear Wilder:--

Your good note of November 30th was received on Monday. I am sorry to have to report that the Board did not feel able to appoint Moorhead to the Western India Mission. Some time ago the question came up as to his appointment to the Punjab Mission, and after careful consideration of the very full correspondence which had been received from the Mission on the subject, his appointment was deemed by the Board inadvisable. In explaining the matter to him, I wrote: *of his going to Western India.*

"Taking everything into consideration--your own distinct convictions, your special qualifications for the work in English, and the probability that you would not feel it even wise to attempt to master any one of the native languages; Miss Wilder's relationship with the Settlement work, and all the other elements of which I can think of as entering into the problem, I should think that the best solution of the problem would be, if it were a practical one, to have you go to the Punjab, and do the work that most strongly appealed to you, and to have your wife and children go with you, so that you could readily arrange some friendly relationship with our own Mission, if you so desire"

*and finally open...*  
"I have brought up the question of your going to the Punjab Mission, and the Board has decided against it. There is no doubt in the minds of many of the members of the Mission, although I gather from the circular letters which Dr. F. J. Newton has sent, that the consensus of view would on the whole be favorable for your appointment for the regular work of the Mission. But, the Board has decided against it, and I think the difficulty is the individuality of opinion, the divergence of

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view in the Mission--it was felt that the Board was scarcely ready to take so responsible a step."

When the question came up as to his appointment to the Western India Mission, there were two elements involved which had not been under consideration in connection with his proposed appointment to Punjab: one was his relationship to your sister, which was an argument for his going to Western India; the other was the financial condition of the Board which makes it impossible for it to incur any added expense now in the increase of the missionary staff, except on points of very exceptional need. Almost all the missions are urging heavily the prior claim of the native work and the importance of large appropriations as soon as possible to enable the missions to provide more adequately for the salaries of native agents, and for the necessary increase of the native staff. We are proportionately far ahead of the other American missionary agencies in the number of our American missionaries, and far behind them in the number of our native agents, ordained and unordained. The Board feels that the next step in the way of enlargement must be in this direction.

I am sorry for the disappointment that the Board's decision will be to Moorhead and your sister, but I do not see how it could be otherwise.

Thank you very much for the encouraging word regarding the little book, "The Man Christ Jesus".

I hope that God is greatly blessing your work.

Very affectionately yours,





The Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
Vengarle, India.

My dear Mr. Hannum:--

The minutes of the West India Mission meet-  
ing and your letter of October 31st and November 2nd -- two of the  
former and three of the latter date -- have all been received.  
In these you give a special cable code indicating that you wished  
answer by cable with reference to the Mission requests for the  
appointment of Misses Knight, Ferguson and Unsworth, and Mr.  
Morehead. The whole matter was laid before the Board at its last  
meeting, but the action that was taken was not covered by any of  
your code words, so I send it on at once to you by mail.

The request of the Western India Mission for the appointment  
of Miss Grace L. Knight, and for the appointment of Mr. Morehead,  
and Miss Unsworth and Miss [unclear] members of the Zenana Bible and Medical  
to the Mission that the Board was [unclear] expense involved in such re-infor-  
at the present time, that it [unclear] but it was prepared to consider the [unclear]  
ary, and would ask the Mission to name which [unclear] would prefer to have appointed, [unclear] Philadelphia Woman's Foreign Mission [unclear] to provide the support. In taking [unclear] express its cordial willingness to have [unclear] women mentioned work in connection with [unclear] could be provided by friends in England.

I have communicated this action to the [unclear] Foreign Missionary Society, and have quoted what you [unclear] about Miss Unsworth and Miss Ferguson, but have not [unclear] them. It may be that their reply [unclear] of such a character as [unclear] to make it possible for the [unclear] your code, but in view of the possibility of delay, I am sending

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you the Board's action immediately.

In writing to the Philadelphia ladies, I reported what had been written, so far as we had any word from the Mission, regarding Miss Enright and the Mission's desire for her reinstatement; and I had a long talk on this subject not long ago with Mrs. Turner, former President, and Mrs. Thrope, who is now President of the Philadelphia Society. They both felt a great deal of uncertainty, but I think the strong judgment of the Mission would waver them. In nearly all such cases the question arises, suppose Miss Enright instead of being on the field were in the United States, would the Mission ask that she be sent out to it.

A number of letters have come from Great Britain regarding Miss Unsworth and Miss Ferguson, and Mr. Meyer writes that the money which friends of Miss Ferguson have been giving from his church, they will be glad to continue to give through our Board, but he does not state how much this is.

I shall explain in writing to the Mission just what the Board means by laying emphasis on the present financial condition, but the tremendous pressure from the Missions for increased appropriations for the native work, and in eight or ten Missions, for increased missionary salaries, and from other missions for provision for homeless missionaries now on the field, make it impossible for the Board to think of adding four missionaries to the Western India staff at this time. As a matter of fact, there will be need of \$100,000 and more increase in the contributions for the rest of this fiscal year, in order to enable the Board to close the year without deficit, to say nothing of assuming new obligations.

With reference to Mr. Morehead, I would only add that the question of his appointment came up some time ago in connection with



the Punjab Mission. A number wished his appointment and others were adverse. After taking everything into account, the Board felt it was inexpedient to send him out, and its judgment is the same with reference to the Western India Mission. I have written to him, however, that if he was purposing to go out independently, we would be glad to be of any help to him that we could.

I hoped before this to have heard from Philadelphia, so as to send some definite word, for we realize how difficult it is for three young women to be waiting in suspense, and it is on that account that I am writing this at once to you, although I hope to be able to send a cablegram shortly that will reach you before this letter.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,

P. S.--Since writing the above, Mrs. Thorpe and Miss Hodge of the Philadelphia Society have been here. They say that their Society considered the question and felt that, on the whole, perhaps it would be wiser to decide the matter here, and that in that case, although with some misgivings, they were inclined to the appointment of Miss Enright. The question will come up again, accordingly, before the Board at its meeting on Monday, and I suspect that we shall then be instructed to cable you approving the re-appointment of Miss Enright, but declining the appointment of the others.

The letters that have come in regarding Miss Unsworth and Miss Ferguson are very good letters, and if they desire to work independently on the field, though in friendly connection with the Mission, and their friends in England wish to send funds to them through the Treasurer of the Board, we shall be very glad to have this done.

December 13th, 1905.

Miss Grace Wilder,

Kasegeon via Karad,

Satara District, India.

My dear Miss Wilder:--

I enclose herewith a Money Order covering \$5.00, given by Miss A. C. Hutchinson, in reply to your appeal for relief for the famine sufferers. I wonder whether this letter and one or two others in which I have heard from you, must not have been written before the delayed rains came, for no one else has written from the Mission of present famine conditions, or of the need of appeals for famine relief. I have written to Miss Hutchinson, who is a member of our church in Englewood, that I knew you would be able to use the Money helpfully and that we were sending it out to you immediately in a Money Order.

We have received the minutes of the Mission meeting and rejoice that it was such a good and helpful meeting. I am sorry to have to report to you though that the Board did not feel able to appoint Mr. Morehead. I had already written of its opinion both to Mr. Morehead and to you, but I would only add now that the financial conditions are such as to make the Board feel entirely unable to increase the Mission force at this time. I know that Mr. Tedford's absence at home creates the special need, but it has not relieved the Board from any financial burden as yet. I trust the time may soon come when the contributions of the churches will be adequate for the evangelization of all the peoples for whom we have become responsible.

With kind regards,



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December 21st, 1905.

To the Western India Mission,

My dear Friends:--

The minutes of the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Mission were received on the 5th of the month, just the day after the meeting of the Board on the first Monday. They were laid before the Board, accordingly, at the next meeting, which was held on Monday of this week, and I write as soon as possible to communicate the actions of the Board.

I wish once again, however, to express appreciation of the promptitude of Mr. Hannum in sending on the minutes and reports so soon after the Mission meeting, and also for the neat and convenient form in which both reports and minutes had been prepared. I was glad to see that all the various reports came together and I have already read most of them with the greatest interest.

Regarding one action of the Board, in reply to requests of the Mission, you will already have heard by cable. At the meeting of the Board on December 5th it was possible to take up the question of the re-appointment of Miss Knight and the appointment of Miss Ferguson, Miss Jackson and Mr. Moorhead, Mr. Hannum having sent these positions on by special letter from the midst of the Mission meeting. At that meeting the following action was taken:

The request of the Western India Mission for the re-appointment of Miss Grace H. Knight, and for the appointment of Mr. Max Wood Moorhead, and Miss Elizabeth M. Ferguson, the last two members of the General Bible and Medical Mission, is

was voted to begin the Mission that the Board was not prepared to incur the heavy expense involved in such re-inforcements of the Western India Mission at the present time, that it felt unable to appoint Mr. Moorhead, but it was prepared to consider the appointment of one of the other missionaries, and would ask the Mission to name which one of the three it would prefer to have appointed, with the understanding that the Philadelphia Women's Foreign Missionary Society would be willing to provide the support. In taking this action, the Board would express its cordial willingness to have any of the other young women mentioned work in connection with the Mission if their support could be provided by friends in England.

This was communicated at once to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in Philadelphia, and it was thought best to defer cabling until we could have their reply. Mrs. Thorpe, President, and Miss Hodge, were here shortly after, and reported that they had carefully considered the question, and they were disposed to think that, taking everything into consideration, it might be best to decide the question here, and without going carefully into the matter, as they were unable to do with their inadequate information, they still felt that probably their first duty was toward Miss Enright, and that they were prepared to resume her support. Accordingly, at the meeting of the Board on Monday, the following action was taken:

That in view of the judgment of the Phila. Woman's Missionary Society, that the question of the appointment of Miss Enright or Miss Unsworth or Miss Ferguson to the Western India Mission, should be decided in America, and in view of the Society's preference on the whole for the re-appointment of Miss Enright, the action of the Board at the last meeting be reconsidered, so far as these young women are concerned, and that Miss Enright be re-appointed a member of the Western India

I will say at once in partial explanation of this action some things that will explain also other actions of the Board in reply to requests from the Mission involving increased expenditure. The Board feels that it is imperatively necessary to pursue a very prudent and conservative policy in the matter of incurring additional obligation. The year began, as



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you know, with an accumulated deficit of over \$40,000. At the first of December the receipts to date were \$301,340.01, which was \$19,170.20 less than for the corresponding period last year, while the appropriations were \$49,985.45 in excess. This made a total arrearage of \$109,115.03 at December 31st. The Board felt that it would be unwise to increase the appropriations for this year, in view of such a situation, and it decided to call to attention of the Missions, that in view of this situation it did not feel warranted in assuming the responsibility of the present year. The Board, therefore, approved to special appropriation during the year, feeling that this was a necessary step to be taken in order to be wise in being the expenses of the year within the budget approved at the beginning; and yet it has always realized that this would be done with some difficulty, and the Board is ready to consider emergency appropriations which cannot be foreseen. But it feels, in view of the present situation, that any obligation that can be avoided, it is its duty to refrain from assuming in justice to the Missions themselves which would feel it takes the calling if there should be such a heavy deficit at the end of this year as to require actual reduction of the appropriations for next year below the sum of the appropriations for this.)

It was on this ground in part that the Board felt that it could not assume the responsibility for the support of Miss Ferguson and Miss Usworth, and that it could not support Mr. Moorhead. Most pleasant letters have come from Miss Ferguson and Miss Usworth and Miss Moorhead. The Rev. E. E. Meyer writes that...

should still be given to the fact that we have been giving toward  
 the subject of the appointment of Mr. Moorehead if she should  
 be appointed to the position. I shall write to Mr.  
 Moorehead, and in the letter I shall tell him that we  
 would be happy to forward to Miss Ferguson whatever would be  
 given, and that if her entire support would be provided by  
 his church, the obstacle to Miss Ferguson's appointment to  
 which I have referred will be removed. Other elements than  
 the financial one have entered into the question of Mr. Moore-  
 head's appointment. We have had a great deal of correspondence  
 on the subject, and on account of his age, the unlikelihood  
 of his acquiring any of the vernaculars, and the fact that he  
 was not entirely identified with our church, it has been  
 felt that it was not wise to advise his formal connection with one  
 of our missions in India. The need of the Mission for more  
 men is keenly felt, and I trust that it may be possible before  
 many years for us to add strong reinforcements of men. There  
 is a strong opinion, however, to the effect that  
 the ever greater need of men is the increased appropri-  
 ations for the native churches. Some of the missions have written  
 in the strongest terms on this point, and the Board feels that  
 there is a great need of a strong development of this side of  
 the work. It has not felt that its connections with refer-  
 ence to Mr. Moorehead, but it believes that there are dependent  
 upon the strong development of the native



The judgment of the Mission in favor of an increase in the support of native evangelistic work in preference to any other enlargement of expenditure, even to the appointment of new missionaries, was supported by the Board, and meets with its entire assent. The Board feels with you, that the immediate and most pressing need in the sphere of development of the work. There has been in the Missions a very gratifying advance in the matter of self-support. In 1892 the amount reported from the Missions as having been raised on the field for the various departments of the work, was \$38,751. Last year it was \$198,159. This increase is in part due to better reporting, but it is also due in part to a real advance in self-support. The pressure which has issued during these years from the Board in this direction, however, has not been meant to obscure the necessity of a larger employment of native agency by mission funds in the work, which is the responsibility of the Mission and not of the Native Church. In this regard we are far behind some of the other churches. The following table, showing the number of ordained and ordained native workers in 1892 and 1905, connected with the various American Churches in the foreign field, will be of interest to you. You can see how far behind others we are, and how small our gain the last thirteen years has been in comparison with some of the others.

	Native Force		Native Force	
	Ordained	Ordained	Ordained	Ordained
	1892	1905	1892	1905
Methodist Church (North)	120	120	120	120
Baptist Church (North)	345	345	1203	1203
American Board C. F. M.	100	100	120	120
Presbyterian Church (North)	100	100	120	120
United Presbyterian Church	100	100	120	120
Protestant Episcopal Church,	100	100	120	120
Reformed Church	100	100	120	120
Methodist Church (South)	59	59	120	120
Baptist Church (South)	100	100	120	120
Presbyterian Church (South)	100	100	120	120

The Board is pleased with the strong emphasis laid on the importance of training native workers and supplying the Chinese Church with native evangelists.

We have never heard of the correspondence between Mr. Graham, as the Attorney General, and the Bombay Government, with reference to the proposed regulations in the Western India Missions; but judge that you are still having trouble, and should be glad to know what replies were received to Mr. Graham's communications and what the present status is.

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I notice a number of references in the minutes to the Mission Orphanage fund and to other Orphan funds. How many such accounts are there in the Mission and how much is there in each of these funds at the present time? I am glad that the Mission still has available money with which to meet the various necessities connected with the training of the female orphans.

It was voted by the Board to authorize the Mission to meet the income tax upon Missionary salaries <sup>as might be</sup> ~~that~~ were necessary as a charge against the regular appropriations of the Mission.

I am giving to Dr. Hales a memorandum of the Mission action regarding days of prayer in April, in order that he may put some note in the church papers with reference to it.

No little regret has been felt at the judgment of the Mission adverse to the continuance of the Executive Committee. Of course the Board would wish any Mission which found that some other ~~form~~ arrangement was more efficient, to adopt such form of administration <sup>as</sup> ~~that~~ it found best suited to its needs; but we have wondered whether the brief trial given to the plan of an Executive Committee was fairly tested. Other Missions have adopted the plan of an Executive Committee and have found it to be a most efficient method of conducting

Mission business by means of circular letters. I confess to a feeling of wonder at the patience and consideration of the Mission which has had to bear the very great burden of the circular letter system. Would it not be well to give the plan of an Executive Committee a fuller trial? It will doubtless be difficult at first to contemplate the location in a small Committee of responsibilities which have been distributed over the Board before; but strong Missions, like the Central China



...the ... Mission ... long ... the ...  
 ... plan, ... great efficiency and  
 ... acceptance the plan of the Executive Committee. The  
 ... has been a very conscientious ...  
 I think there has been some more careful ...  
 effort conscientiously to plan and administer its work; but as  
 I think I wrote a year ago, we have wondered at times whether  
 the Mission was not needlessly, amassing itself with regulations,  
 with discussions of minor questions and with a kind of ...  
 distraction. I think the minutes of the Mission meetings are  
 the longest that come to the Board from all the Missions, and  
 I think the Mission meetings last two or three times as long as  
 those of other missions. The West Japan Mission, which has  
 eight stations, was in session, I think, for only four days last  
 year, and the Central China Mission, which has half as many  
 stations, was in session for only three days. ...  
 Would not the appointment of an Executive Committee and en-  
 trusting large responsibilities to it, and some simplification  
 of the business of the Mission meetings, greatly relieve the  
 Mission, and avoid consuming so much time during the best touring  
 season of the year in Mission meetings?

I think that it is a good thing not to hurry a Mission  
 meeting, but to devote much time to social and spiritual con-  
 ferences which are so desirable; but would there not be time  
 enough for these, as well as for all the business of the Mission,  
 if some such plan as I have suggested should be carried out?  
 I would commend it to the consideration of the Mission.

With reference to the proposition of the Mission regarding  
 ... it was voted by the Board ...  
 of adopting at this time different ... regulations ...

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The Konkani and Deccan sections of the Mission, the Board would request the Mission to consider the possibility of changing the location of the Konkani missionaries at the middle of the term, or as to station them the last half of the term of service at some of the more healthful stations in the Deccan.

Perhaps this plan has already been considered, but would it not promote the efficiency of the work? There are constant changes of assignment going on among the stations of the Deccan and there have been many transpositions between the Deccan and the Konkani; why could not these changes be so adjusted as to give relief to the workers in the less advantageous stations at suitable intervals.

The accounts of the Punjab and the North India Missions have not as yet been received. When they come the Board will be asked to take up the consideration of the furlough question discussed in my letter of April 7th to the Mission.

The Board assumes that of course no expense to the Mission funds will be involved in the printing of illustrated postal cards. Mr. Kulkarni has kindly sent a set of the Vengurle cards, and they are very attractive, and I should hope that they will be very useful.

The Board regrets that it could not employ Mr. Sailer in the station work, but stated that it saw no objection to the Mission employing him for its regular appropriations the cost of any necessary translation and that might be done by Mr. Sailer.

The explanation of the financial situation made at the beginning of this letter will account for the following actions of the Board:

That the Board could not undertake to provide the special fund which was required for the purchase of Mission property from the Konkani Mission's Maratji address at their outstation of Karad.



That in view of the necessity of most rigid economy in the work of the year, and the necessity to which it had been put of declining appropriations for 1931 without additional support, the Board would not provide the 2000 Rs. which the Trustees of Mr. and Mrs. [Name] had asked for their trip to Australia, but would expect that the mission might arrange for this expense by increasing its appropriations or by savings during the year.

That the employment for 1931 of personal teachers [Name] and [Name] of the U. I. Mission, to [Name] and [Name] [Name] will be at least [Name] within its regular appropriations.

I told the Board that the request of the Mission for a total of 600 Rs. of excess money during the current year in the Sangli Station to meet the expense incurred by growth and reorganization in the educational work in Sangli was granted. The actions of the Mission with reference to the reorganization of the Sangli School and the division into a High School and an Industrial School, has been read with great interest. It is one of those questions where the Board would of course trust entirely the judgment of the Mission. I would ask, though, whether there is to be no industrial element at all in the High School, and how the Christian boys who are graduated from the High School and who may not become Mission teachers or preachers are to support themselves. In this connection I was asked the question, "If, in the year 1931, you had not reorganized the Industrial Mission, what would be the result in our Industrial Schools were you to have continued to have boys after they went out, without being well educated for employment on the mission. I told the Board that it was the policy of the Board in our industrial schools to give a training that would fit the boys for work which they could find, so that they would become really independent and self-supporting men. If the Board would an independent and self-supporting school would have a

be built.

I brought up the action of the Mission requesting the Board to reimburse Mr. Hand for \$3000.00 in consideration of his having advanced that amount to cover the loss of the Board's funds which had been held by him for the purchase of medicines, and which were in transmission through William Watson & Co. at the time of their failure in 1904. Mr. Hand felt, however, that there was not sufficient information to warrant Board action. Perhaps the Mission Treasurer would write directly to Mr. Hand a letter stating the facts in more detail.

Does the report of the Committee on new missionaries and residences, on whose report the Mission voted to print 2000 copies, include an appeal for funds from the Home Church?

If so, would it not be well for the Mission to hold back such an appeal until by your efforts and those of the Board the amount needed for the budget can be secured? The Board is eager with you to press forward to a better equipment of the missions, the establishment of new stations, and the expansion of the work, but it feels keenly the need of first providing for the existing liabilities, so that the work already undertaken may not need to be stopped or reduced. What we long and pray and work for is an increase of the Foreign Missionary resources which would make it possible to provide adequately for the existing work, and then to do the other things so urgently needed. An increase of a quarter of a million dollars would, I think, make this

The request for new property and new missionaries will be receiving constant consideration, and I hope and pray that before the end of the year there may be such large gifts from the churches



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as well as possible to arrange for the use of all its departments this coming year.

Mr. Sturges wishes to pay Rudi for his last residence on account of his India orphans:

Enclosed please find check for \$500.00 to apply on account of report of "A" in India. I have tried to get time to make a statement but have failed. In fact, letters since my return telling of three or four of the children who have lately died of the schools. While I will not stop this work until absolutely compelled to do so, I do not at present intend to do so for those who have been "mine" for some time, and two or three I took up when in India."

I think it would be well if you would let us know whenever any of Mr. Sturges' orphans drop out. One of his coal breakers burned down recently, and he has not been able to do all that he would like to do, and we ought to charge him only for those orphans of his whom we are actually carrying and should release the charge upon him when any die or leave.

I think that this covers all the points calling for the attention of the Board.

Mr. Converse has promised \$400 in addition to the \$500 which he had already given for the Gas Plant at Miraj.

I am enclosing a leaflet containing the substance of the report of the committee on Foreign Missions to the Last General Assembly. It deals with some matters of general interest to you, but particularly the question of union and cooperation in mission work, and the question of the relation of the Board of the Board to the functions of Presbyteries.

I would report the following action of the Board according to Paragraph 45 of the Manual:

In accordance with the recommendations of the Council reported among the actions taken by the General Assembly, it was voted to amend Paragraph 45 of the Manual of the

...in the field, it shall be  
 the excess of the... obligation  
 increase the grant's... Treasury...

I think this will...  
 has endeavored to adhere faithfully to the... provisions.

Very shortly you will be welcoming Dr. Howard Agnew Johnston to India, in his work as Representative of the General Assembly's Evangelistic Committee. It has been exceedingly generous of the General Assembly's Committee to arrange for such a visit by one of its representatives, and we trust that Dr. Johnston's visit may be very much blessed, both to the missions and the native churches, and to himself and Mrs. Johnston. There has been some little misapprehension in some quarters as to the capacities under which Dr. Johnston was going out, and in justice to the General Assembly's Committee it should be stated clearly that it has no official connection with the Foreign... to it, but only to the General Assembly's Committee. Note that in the letter we have of course cordially...

Miss Orr reached the field safely and trust...  
 ...Tampson may have a long life of great usefulness in India. Before very long you will be welcoming Dr. and...  
 ...and will be glad of their coming as you were of...  
 ...I trust that Mr. and Mrs. Wiley and Miss Johnson...  
 ...and any other members of the Mission who have...  
 ...not been as well as we could wish, are better





March 1, 1903.

Mr. W. J. Wallace,  
Miraj, India.

Dear Dr. Wallace:--

A little while ago Mr. Mum received the following letter from Dr. Heston's mother, which he gave to me for reply.

Mr. Charles W. Hard,  
Dear Sir:--

Recent letters from my daughter, Dr. Winifred L. Heston, who is located at Miraj, India, leads me to think that her health is in a precarious condition, and I am writing to ask if it would not be better for her to come home now than to wait until she is entirely broken down. She writes some of the things she writes about herself and others. Many of our missionaries are at the point of breaking down. I think the trouble is the long term. They think they must stay out until they reach the breaking point, then they go a good and all tired and weary. It is strange the Board does not see an occasional furlough and this keep him able to work in the field, than to let him get tired and training new missionaries all the time. The Vileys and Goleens will hardly live until they get home and they are planning to remain here another year. It is a burning shame. But if a man goes home ill, he is always afraid of not being re-arranged, and his life out here usually ends in a hospital, for any sort of service elsewhere, he may prefer dying in the field, to being a burden on his friends at home. Day before yesterday, I was weighed and tipped the scales at 100 lbs. It gets worse and worse. Joseph (a native Internist) says I should go home at once--and he being a native thinks he knows. Everyone is exclaiming at my ghastly looks, and my bones protrude at every angle. Occasionally, I come across that last picture which I had taken at home, and it looks so fat and gay and I can scarcely realize it was ever I.

Now, Mr. Mum, can you give me any advice about how she should be sent home? Her hospital life is a strenuous one. She writes me of the work many times and last year she wrote that she had from ten to twenty operations a day, many days in succession; this last summer she had fifteen operations a day, and she is now operating at her table while Dr. Wallace is in the hospital. It is certainly a vastly more than any other woman in the world.





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January 1st, 1906.

The Rev. Henry A. Kernen,  
Sangli, S. M. C., India.

My Dear Mr. Kernen:-

I had not meant to allow a week, not to speak of several weeks, to elapse since receiving your good letter of October. First of all, I want to congratulate you heartily on the news of your engagement to Miss Judson. I am not a bit sorry to see some reprisals made by Presbyterian missionaries for what Congregational missionaries have been doing. Only a few months ago, one of the American Board missionaries in Japan carried off one of the dearest of the young women there. I have no doubt that you are balancing things up in our going to carry off Miss Judson. How long has she been on the field?

I am not altogether surprised at what you write in confidence in your letter, as to your feeling some divergence of attitude and point of view between yourself and some of the other missionaries. It is undoubtedly desirable, from one point of view, that there should be united opinion in a Mission; but from another point of view, it is well that there should be some variety. It prevents intolerance; it promotes progress; it fosters the spirit of adaptation and adjustment. So that I do not think a little element of variety is a bad thing, provided that the differences are not so great as to cause dissension and prevent co-operation. Whether they are in the present case, of course I cannot say; but I hope they are not; and I hope you will not easily allow yourself to be persuaded that they are. Try your best, first with tact and conciliation, to find a comfortable and efficient adjustment in the Mission.

I knew about the suspicions of Dr. Robert Hume's theological

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views, and the effect of that upon the Mission's attitude toward union effort with the Congregationalists. I do not know Dr. Hume's view well enough to have an opinion in the matter. My disposition is strongly in favor of union effort, and I wrote encouragingly on the subject when Dr. Hume first spoke to me about it. But I must say that if Dr. Hume's book "Missions and the Modern View," represents accurately his theological position and method of statement, my own would not entirely agree with it. From the opening chapters, especially, one would gather a very different conception, I think, of moral evil and its need, from that which he would gain from the Bible, and from that which he would gain from mingling, for example, with college students at home. Wrong doing and wrong thinking with them are not the product of insufficient information nearly so much as they are from moral twists or perversion of moral choice. Men sin in our American colleges not because of any intellectual vagary or inefficiency, but because of moral weakness or badness; and I suspect that men in India are made out of the same kind of stuff. At the same time, I suspect Dr. Hume and I would have a great deal more in common than we would have in divergence, and that we could heartily cooperate. But I should hope, also, that I could cooperate heartily with the missionaries in the Western India Mission; and if at any point I was right and they were wrong, I should hope to succeed in bringing them to see the truth.

I hope you will go on that principle. If you are mistaken, you would do wrong in separating from them. If they are mistaken, how can they be brought nearer the correct view and attitude except by association with those who can help them?

I do not mean to press all this too far. I can conceive that there might be conditions in which it would be wise for a man in your position to withdraw and attach himself to some other Mission; but I



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do not believe that you have tried the matter out thoroughly. And even if you should find it wise to make some change, could it not be to the Punjab Mission, rather than to the Mission of some other Church?

I can sympathize with you in the difficulties that you must feel at times; but, probably on the other hand, so far as any man is charged with a truer view, so far it is his duty and privilege to hold things as he finds them, and work with them toward what he feels to be the fuller truth.

With kind regards.

Very cordially yours,

*Robert E. S.*

P. S. January 22nd.

I have just received your letter of December 29th, but have had time only to note its contents, but not to read it carefully. I fear it renders what I have written above altogether superfluous. The important question will be taken up at once, however.

I think it will be well for me to correspond with Dr. Barton before any final decision is reached; for I know that the American Board has explicitly informed the choicest candidates here at home that it would not appoint any more missionaries. Of course it may be that the financial position will allow your appointment; but even if our Board should be willing to give you up so summarily, it would not be just to you for it to do so until we had first ascertained whether the American Board was prepared to appoint you.

R. E. S.



January 26th, 1906.

Miss Sybel G. Brown,  
Kodoli, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My Dear Miss Brown:-

Your good letters of November 6th and December 7th have both been received. When I read your letter of November 6th I was almost in despair, because I knew that the Board was unable to make any additional appropriations at this time, and I knew also that you ought to have the little home which you have been getting ready. I wrote, accordingly, to a friend in Pennsylvania, quoting extracts from your letters, and asking her whether she did not want to provide for this necessity, and have just received her check for one hundred dollars, with the following note:

I am glad I can comply with your 'modest' appeal this time. I read your letter with great interest, as well as Miss Brown's. When I imagine myself in that stuffy room with India heat, I haven't the heart to refuse, and I hope the enclosed check may enable Miss Brown to make herself more comfortable.

This amount will be appropriated at the next meeting of the Board, and Mr. Hand will forward it to the Mission Treasurer. I am delighted that you can have the better quarters, and trust that you may be very comfortable in them, and that they may contribute a little to the happiness and efficiency of your life and work in India. I rather gather from your second letter that you were going ahead making the improvements on the faith that the amount would be provided, and I am glad that your faith will be confirmed.

I rejoice that you are throwing yourself into the work so energetically and efficiently, and do trust that you may be kept in health and strength, and be able to accomplish all that you are ambitious to do for the children. Please keep us well posted as you have been doing about the work, and write freely about your ideas as to the development of the character of the children



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and their preparation for lives of honest industry and self-support.

I do hope that your eyes are better, and trust that you may have no serious trouble with them; and that whatever the difficulties and perplexities, God may enable you to reach many hearts and turn many lives to Him. When we are eager to see our Master's work prosper in our hands, and stand perplexed, as we often do, among the problems that confront us, and are at a loss to know what are the right methods to pursue, how good it is to fall back on the fact that, after all, no method will succeed where love is not, while love itself is a method the most powerful of any in the world! I rejoiced to meet at the Convention of the Railroad Young Men's Christian Associations in Detroit last fall, a young Baptist minister from Texas, who has had extraordinary success in reaching men. He told me of a Cowboys' Convention which he had attended for several years, where some four or five hundred cowboys, most of them Christians, had come together, and where there were revival meetings that reached even the most abandoned and hardened. He was evidently a man of very clear intellectual perception and of great strength of will; but above everything else, he seemed to be a man of unusual tenderness and love, and I was interested in the address which he made before the Convention in Detroit, in which he spoke of this power of love to reach and win others. I think you will be interested in the way he put the matter, and I am venturing to enclose a copy of part of his address. After he had told the story, which is told in the enclosed extract, he added:

"Oh, brothers, men, in the shops and everywhere, are dying for love. Your grammar may be broken, your plans may be imperfect, your machinery may be crude, your organization may be rough, but if you love these men, and pour your hearts out to them honestly and directly, there will be a response that will fill your hearts with joy and fill heaven with praises."

It seems to me a great effort that we can be able to fall back on this fundamental truth, that we can all of us be workers by the power of love, and that no man can do stronger work than other men, however able intellectually, whose hearts are not as full of yearning as his is. Was not this the very secret of St. Paul's power? I often recall the verses in F. W. H. Myers' great poem, "Saint Paul," in which he sets forth just this great passionate eagerness after

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souls, which consumed Paul's mind and heart and will:

"Oft when the Word is on me to deliver,  
Lifts the illusion, and the truth lies bare;  
Desert or throng, the city or the river,  
Melts in a lucid Paradise of air;

Only as souls I see the folk thereunder -  
Bound who should conquer, slaves who should be kings;  
Hearing their one hope with a patient wonder,  
Sadly contented with a show of things.

Then with a rush, the intolerable craving  
Shivers throughout me like a trumpet-call!  
Oh, to save these, to perish for their saving,  
Die for their life, be offered for them all!"

If only we could have the churches at home filled with this spirit, and all missionary methods and policy transfused by it, how great would be the advance in the Kingdom, both at home and abroad!

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,



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February 8th, 1906.

The Rev. Henry A. Kernen,

Sangli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mr. Kernen:--

In my last letter I acknowledged in a postscript the receipt of your letter of December 29th, stating that you and Miss Judson had come to the conclusion that it would be better for you to transfer to her Mission than for her to come to ours, and telling also of your having written to Dr. Barton stating your desire to be transferred to the American Board.

Before we could lay the matter before our Board at all, the following letter was received from Dr. Barton:

"I have just received a letter from Rev. Henry Arthur Kernen of your Western India Mission in which he says he is writing you, asking you to transfer his papers to our Board. This, as you well understand, is in view of the fact that he has become engaged to Miss Judson of our Marathi Mission who is very loath to leave the Mission. There has been no plan or move touching the case made here in Boston.

I write now to tell you that in view of our financial situation the Prudential Committee has voted not to increase our missionary force during the current year, therefore it will be impossible for us to consider favorably the transfer of Mr. Kernen to this Board until after the close of the financial year".

In view of this letter it has not seemed worth while to cable as you requested the consent of our Board. Such consent would have been of no value to you, in view of the inability of the American Board to accept you. Dr. Barton will, of course, have communicated with you on this point, as it would fall to the American Board to speak for itself to you.

At the same time, I do not know whether you asked Dr.

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Barton to cable to you whether the American Board could appoint you. I am writing to him to ascertain whether you did ask him to do so, and if you did not we will send you a cablegram reading, "American Bazaar", meaning, according to the Board's cable code, "American Board cannot make appointment at present. Will consider later."

I cannot forbear hoping that this situation may lead to your remaining in our Mission. I should be sorry to have the American Board lose so good a missionary as Miss Judson, but we are equally sorry to lose you, and I earnestly hope that if it is the will of God that you should stay with our Mission it may be made clear to you, as I know you will pray that it may be.

I rejoice with you and Miss Judson in your joy, and trust that you may be unerringly guided in your way.

Your sincere friend,



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March First, 1906.

The Rev. D. S. Toddard,  
Maryville, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Toddard,—

Your note of February 26th,  
to Mr. Spoor, is received in his absence at  
Nashville, attending the Student Volunteer Con-  
vention. He will not return to the office  
before Wednesday next, but your letter will be  
handed him immediately upon his return. I  
have pleasure in enclosing herewith the notice of  
Mr. Hunt's resignation, and of the future coming  
of the new Treasurer, Mr. Day. And I am asking  
the one in charge of our library, to send you  
information regarding Magic Lantern Slides.

Very truly yours,

*John H. ...*



February 22nd, 1888.

To the Western India Mission,

My dear Friends:--

I have very much pleasure in reporting several special appropriations.

1. The special appropriation of \$1000 for Miss Sybil Brown's house at Kotoldi. Miss Brown wrote of the absolute necessity of this amount for the purpose of getting the rooms to be used as her home, and the Mission having sanctioned the matter and there being no little hope of any special appropriation from the Board, I got the money from a friend who was glad to give it when she had read Miss Brown's letters.

2. An appropriation of \$1000 for one of the out stations in the Western India Mission, of which Dr. ... accepted the pledge when he was home on furlough. This amount was given by Mrs. Luddington of Bryn Mawr.

Mr. Austin promised to give a corresponding amount. In a recent letter from him, he says:

"I am one of the men who last fall promised to give \$1000 for the establishment of a hospital out station in the West India Mission. I also agreed with ... to give \$2000 to \$4000 a year to maintain the station.

I have just learned from Rev. ... that the ... is ... and ... After that, if you will let me ...



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You know it is very easy to exceed estimates. This year's account you understand I don't think myself to give definitely. I propose to start it, and I hope to be able to continue it, but of course I reserve the right to discontinue it if I should consider that it necessary or advisable."

This money will be appropriated as soon as it is received.

We rejoice to hear of the deep spiritual stirrings in the mission, and earnestly pray that they may result in large additions to the churches.

With warm regards to all,

Your sincere friend,

Robert L. Spence  
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The Rev. L. P. Tedford,  
Maryville, Tenn.

My Dear Mr. Tedford:-

Your letter of February 26th was received while I was away at the Student Volunteer Convention in Nashville, and was acknowledged at that time. I have delayed writing since coming back until I could lay your letter before the Board. This was done yesterday, and I have pleasure in reporting the extension of your furlough for six months. I was instructed to write with reference to the home allowance, whenever you will need a continuance of the home allowance in whole or in part. If so, I know that the Board will cordially arrange for its continuance as may be necessary for this six months more.

Our hearts go out to you and Mrs. Tedford in deepest sympathy, and I earnestly hope that your son may, as the result of your loving and wise care, be entirely restored to intellectual health. Dr. Wilson has returned from his visit to you, and of the improvement in your son's condition; and I earnestly hope and pray that this improvement may continue.

I wish you might have been at the Convention in Nashville, and doubtless Dr. Wilson told you about it. It was a meeting of great importance. I thank to all who were present.

Will you not keep us informed from time to time of your son's condition and your plans for the future?

With kind regards from us to Mrs. Tedford and yourself,

Your sincere friend,



March 27th, 1906.

Dr. Alexander S. Wilson,  
Ceggin, Iowa.

My Dear Dr. Wilson:-

Your good note regarding the Tedfords was duly received. I was very glad to get your report. The Board has extended Mr. Tedford's furlough from six months to the full year, as he requested, with the understanding that I would write to him and find out what would be necessary in the way of home allowance. I have done this, and he said they would need the full allowance, and I have no doubt the Board will grant this at its next meeting.

I hope that you and your family are all well, and getting a good rest. It was a delight to see you down at Nashville. Such meetings do one a world of good.

Very cordially yours,

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April 3rd, 1906.

The Rev. I. B. Tedford,  
Maryville, Tenn.

My dear Mr. Tedford:--

The first meeting of the Board since the receipt of your letter of March 23rd was held yesterday, and I am glad to report that it was voted to extend your home allowance, as well as your furlough, for a full year from the time of your reaching home.

With warm regards to Mrs. Tedford and yourself,

Your sincere friend,





April seventh, 1906.

To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:

You will already have received the printed letter reporting the appropriations for the fiscal year 1906-1907. I am sending herewith the detailed appropriation sheets. They correspond wto the estimate sheets as sent from the field, save that, inasmuch as it has been impossible for the Board to grant more for the native work than last year, Column II of the estimate sheets has been omitted from the appropriations. If, however, there are any items in Column II of the estimates which, on reflection the Mission feels simply must be provided for, and any items in Column I for which there more important items can be substituted, you are at entire liberty to make such changes. I only lament that the gifts of the churches have not been so great as to lead the Board to feel that it was warranted in making appropriations large enough to enable all the Missions to make a considerable advance in their native work. As it is, the prospect for the present year, assuming that the Board will receive the same amount this April that it received last April, is that it will be able just about to close its books without deficit. There will be, however, the accumulated deficit of the last two years continuing. In the face of this, we feel that the Board has acted with commendable faith in increasing the budget for the new year as it has done, and as was explained in the printed letter.

I should like to express appreciation of the most satisfactory way in which the estimates for the Mission were presented. There was great saving of time and labor here, thanks to the Mission's faithful compliance with the instructions as to making out the estimates printed on the estimate sheets.

The Board has not been able to make any appropriations for new property out of the new year's budget, as all such grants would simply have involved subtraction from the appropriations for the native work, and would have necessitated, accordingly, an actual reduction in the grants to that work.



## Western India Mission, 2.

In view of Miss Knright's reappointment her name is of course reinserted in the appropriations. The plans of Mr. and Mrs. Tedford are in doubt, and it has not seemed wise to do anything more than assume that they would have to remain in the United States for the year. The Board has extended Mr. Tedford's furlough and home allowance for six months more, making a year in all from the time of his arrival on September third, 1905.

We have received from Mr. W. L. Austin, the one thousand dollars for the establishment of an out-station in Western India Mission, and this amount has been specially appropriated for the purpose. Whenever any money is received for the maintenance of these two out-stations, the Board will appropriate that specially. It will not be right to call upon these generous friends for an annual payment, however, until we can inform them of the actual opening of the out-stations. Will you kindly let us know when this is done, sending full descriptions of the points occupied and the time during each year when it would be desirable to call upon these friends for the payment of annual maintenance?

Mr. Wiley's letter with reference to the request of the Mission at its annual meeting for a grant of 390 Rupees, to reimburse Dr. McArthur for money lost through Watson & Co., has been received, and I have referred it to the new Treasurer, Mr. Day.

I ought to add with reference to the out-stations to be <sup>supported</sup> ~~started~~ by the Bryn Mawr friends, that the amount of \$500. mentioned in recent letter from the field appears to be in excess of what which was understood at first. Mr. Austin's idea was that \$400. would be needed for annual maintenance. Mr. Austin has now given \$1000. to equip the work, and will give \$400. a year for its maintenance, although this is not a pledge. Mrs. Luddington has given \$1000. to equip the other station, and Mr. H. O. Wilbur will give the same amount as Mr. Austin, \$400. for its maintenance. Dr. Miller writes that they will furnish the funds needed for maintenance whenever called upon to do so.

The Board was very much interested in the Minutes of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of India, which were laid before it, and also in the report of the establishment of the National Missionary Society. I trust the



Secreta India Mission, 3.

Society may do a useful work, and may be the means of kindling a great spirit of self-propagation in the Indian Christian communities. I think, however, that there is some occasion for regret that the natural and just desires for autonomy on the part of the Indian Christian body, have had to find expression in this movement, rather than through the Indian Churches which have been established. I wish the Presbyterian Church in India might have the privilege of taking the lead in the development and recognition of the principle that the churches which we are establishing are to be indigenous, national churches. Even though this work were to be less efficiently done, would it not be the wise policy to press the Indian element into the official positions and places of leadership?

This whole problem has now come before the Board in its most grave aspects through the Church of Christ in Japan, which has sent to the Presbyterian and Reformed Boards at home, a long, formal communication, very carefully and ably drawn up, setting forth what the Church of Christ believes to be the absolute failure of the Missions, to set up right relations with the Native Church. The problem which has arisen there will inevitably arise in China and elsewhere, just as it has arisen, accompanied with much heat and sad schism, in Brazil. We surely need to seek in this matter a wisdom higher than our own, and guidance from Him, Who alone knows the issues of all activities, and can direct us into right ways.

With warm regards to all,

Your sincere friend,

April 17th, 1900.

Miss Sarah Patterson Judson,

Sholapur, India.

My dear Miss Judson:--

I must thank you for your very pleasant letter of March 8th received last week. We shall get on famously together if only no unhappy difficulty prevents your coming over to our Mission. The only difficulty which I could conceive of, however, would be the unwillingness of the American Board to part with you, and I am sure they could not express any such unwillingness, unless they were prepared to accept Mr. Kernan as a member of the Marathi mission, and I imagine that you would view such an outcome with great joy, although it would have its shadowy side towards us.

I have just written to Mr. Kernan explaining to him the present situation which is expressed in the following letter from Dr. Barton, dated April 5th:

"Mr. Kernan has written me, as I know he has you, in regard to Miss Judson transferred from this Board to your Board. Our Women's Board is very loath to spare Miss Judson. I expect to bring the matter before our Committee at its next meeting as to whether they will not authorize me to ask for the transfer of Mr. Kernan's papers to this Board. If I get this authority, you will hear from me again soon after the meeting. I will write you under any circumstances. In case that authority is denied me under the request of Mr. Kernan and Miss Judson I must forward to you Miss Judson's papers. We need the re-inforcement Mr. Kernan would bring to our mission. It is only a question of finance."

We are waiting now daily for some farther word from him.

It is not altogether nice to have to deal with a situation



Mrs. S. J. GARDNER, 2.

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 April 17th, 1906.

The Rev. Henry Arthur Kernan,  
 Mangli, S. M. C., India.

My dear Mr. Kernan:--

Your good notes of March 9th and 23rd have been received and also your preceding letter agreeing to the arrangement that Miss Judson should leave her Mission to join you is ours. As soon as that letter came I wrote to Dr. Barton on the subject and received the following reply, under date of April 5th:

"Mr. Decker has written me, as I know he has you, in regard to having Miss Judson transferred from this Board to your Board. Our Woman's Board is very loath to spare Miss Judson. I expect to bring the matter before our Committee at its next meeting as to whether they will not authorize me to ask for the transfer of Mr. Kernan's papers to this Board. If I get this authority, you will hear from me again soon after the meeting. I will write you under any circumstances. In case that authority is secured me under the request of Mr. Kernan and Miss Judson, I must forward to you Miss Judson's papers. We need the reinforcement Mr. Kernan would bring to our Mission. It is only a question of finance."

I do not know when the meeting to which Dr. Barton refers was to be held, but as I have not yet heard further from him I presume that it has not been held yet. I hope very much that they will release Miss Judson to our Mission. This would be a much more acceptable solution of the matter to me than for us to lose you to <sup>the</sup> Marathi Mission.

I had hoped that before this the matter might be ~~definitely~~ settled so that we could cable to you, as I know how anxious you and Miss Judson must be for definite words. Not knowing how soon we may hear conclusively from the American



I have no doubt that you will find the letter from Miss Johnson very interesting. I am sure that she has some interesting information for you, and I have no difficulty in realizing, as you doubtless feel enthusiastically yourself that you are very much to be congratulated.

I enclose herewith a note to Miss Johnson. Would you mind sending it to her in your next letter, or if you see in her neighborhood at the present time, handing it to her?

Very cordially yours,



(enclosure)

APPROPRIATIONS FOR WESTERN INDIA MISSION.

1906-1907.

KOLHAPUR,  
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CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

SALARIES:-

Rev. A. W. Marshall,	\$ 1080.00
Rev. E. W. Simpson,	1080.00
Miss E. E. Patton,	540.00
Miss B. G. Johnson,	540.00
	3240.00

CHILDREN:

Mr. Marshall, (2)	200.00
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\$3440.00

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

HOME ALLOWANCE:

Rev. L. B. Tedford,	\$ 1000.00
Rev. J. M. Goheen,	1000.00
	2000.00

CHILDREN:

Mr. Goheen, (2)	200.00
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\$2200.00

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN:

Four Bible Women,	Rupees, 396,
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ITINERATING:

For the Station,	380,0
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ANY OTHER WORK:

Books and Tracts,	25.
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Rs. 721.

CLASS V. EDUCATIONAL.

BOARDING SCHOOLS:

<u>School for Christian Girls.</u>	
Teachers,	1992.
Watchmen,	216.
Books, etc.,	250.
Food, clothing, etc.,	10664.
	13122.
Receipts on field,	9956.
	3156.

DAY SCHOOLS:

Schools at seven places,	1449.
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OTHER SCHOOLS.

<u>Reading Classes</u> , Three,	146.
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Rs. 4751.



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CLASS VI. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES.	
ASSISTANTS:	Rupees.
Compounder,	144.
MEDICINES:	500.
EXPENSES:	30.
	<u>674.</u>
Receipts on field,	75.
	<u>599.</u>
	Rupees. 599. ✓

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.	
RENTS:	
Dwellings of agents & schools,	150.
Receipts on field,	<u>150.</u>
TAXES:	
Missionary dwellings, land,	
Water and School,	63.
Receipts on field,	<u>63.</u>
REPAIRS:	
Missionary dwellings,	425.
Other dwellings,	250.
Sanitarium,	<u>284.</u>
	957.
ATTENDANTS:	
At Sanitarium,	84.
	Rupees. 1041. ✓

CLASS IX. MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.	
MISSION MEETINGS:	
Travel,	325.
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:	
For Station,	60.
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:	
For Station,	150.
PERSONAL TEACHERS:	
For four persons,	525.
	Rupees. 1060. ✓

## SUMMARY FOR KOIHA PUR.

	ROUP.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	\$ 3440.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	2200.00 ✓	
CLASS IV.		721. ✓
CLASS V.		4751. ✓
CLASS VI.		599. ✓
CLASS VII.		1041. ✓
CLASS IX.		1060. ✓

TOTAL. \$ 5640.00 3172. Rupees.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR BAHAGIRI,

1906-1907.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

SALARIES:

Rev. A. L. Wiley, (11 mos.)	\$ 990.00
Miss E. T. Minor,	540.00
Miss A. M. Jefferson,	540.00
	<u>2070.00</u>

\$ 2070.00

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

TRAVEL AND FREIGHT:

Rev. and Mrs. Wiley to U. S. A.,	\$ 600.00
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\$ 600.00

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN.

One Bible Woman,	Rupees.
	144.

OTHER HELPERS:

Receipts on field,	<u>144.</u>
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Two Workers,	420.
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Receipts on field,	<u>192.</u>	328.
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ITINERATING:

For Station,	150.
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Rupees. 378.

CLASS V. EDUCATIONAL.

BOARDING SCHOOLS:

Teachers,	1110.	
Furniture, books, etc.	<u>136.</u>	
	1246.	
Receipts on field,	<u>650.</u>	596.

DAY SCHOOLS:

Five Day Schools,	1266.	
Receipts on field,	<u>630.</u>	636.

OTHER SCHOOLS:

Reading Class,	42.
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Rupees. 1274.

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENTS:

Missionaries' Dwelling,	400.
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TAXES:

Missionary Dwelling,	40.
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REPAIRS:

General Repairs,	100.
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Rupees. 540.



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CLASS IX, MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.		Rupees.
MISSION EXPENSES:		
Travel.		200.
BOOKS & PRINTING:		5.
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:		135.
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE: Four missionaries,		150.
SUBSIDIUMS:		
Travel for Station,	250.	
Rent for Mission,	2000.	2250.
TRAVELLERS:		
For Mission.		100.

Rupees. 2980.

SUMMARY FOR RAJNAGRI.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	2070.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	600.00 ✓	
CLASS IV.		378. ✓
CLASS V.		1274. ✓
CLASS VII.		656. ✓
CLASS IX.		2900. ✓
TOTAL. \$ 2670.00 ✓ 5208. Rupees.		

APPROPRIATIONS FOR KODOLI.

1906-1907.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

SALARIES:

Rev. J. P. Graham,	\$ 720.00
Miss AL AL Browne,	540.00
Miss S. G. Brown,	540.00
Miss B. Graham,	540.00
Miss V. E. McArthur, M. D., (11 mos.)	435.00
	<u>2835.00</u>

\$ 2835.00.

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

TRAVEL & FREIGHT:

Dr. McArthur to U. S. A.	\$ 500.00
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\$ 500.00

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN:		Rupess.
Two Bible Women,		168.
ITINERATING:		
For the Station,		200.
ANY OTHER WORK.		
Other expenses, Books,		29.

Rs. 397.

CLASS V. EDUCATIONAL.

DAY SCHOOLS:

Five day schools, girls & boys,	2050.
Receipts on field,	<u>930.</u>
	1150.

OTHER SCHOOLS:

Reading Classes,	144.
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Rs. 1294. ✓

CLASS VI. HOSPITALS & DISPENSARIES.

ASSISTANTS:

Hospital Assistant and other helps,	636.
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MEDICINES:

Medicines,	1876.
Receipts on field,	<u>380.</u>
	1496.

OTHER EXPENSES:

Lights & heating,	40.
Water and Printing,	49.
Washing & Sweeper,	<u>86.</u>
	175. ✓

Rs. 2307. ✓



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## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

	Rupees.	
RENTS:		
Rent of schools,	60.	
TINERS:		
On Dwellings and hospital,	60.	
REPAIRS:		
On Dwellings, hospital, etc.	300.	Rs. 420.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:		
Travel to Annual Meeting,	45.	
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:	50.	
PERSONAL TEACHERS: Miss S. G. Brown,	100.	Rs. 195.

## SUMMARY FOR KODGLI.

	GOLD.	RUPES.
CLASS I.	₹ 2835.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	300.00 ✓	
CLASS IV.		397. ✓
CLASS V.		1294. ✓
CLASS VI.		2307. ✓
CLASS VII.		420. ✓
CLASS IX.		195. ✓
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TOTAL,	₹ 3135.00 ✓	4513. Rupees. ✓

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR XIRAJ.

1906-1907.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Dr. W. J. Wanless,	\$1080.00
Rev. A. S. Wilson, (6 mos.)	540.00
Miss E. A. Foster, (6 mos.)	270.00
Rev. E. C. Richardson,	1080.00
Dr. R. H. Goheen,	1080.00
Miss D. E. Patterson,	540.00
Miss W. E. T. Heston, M. D.,	540.00
	<u>5130.00</u>

## CHILDREN:

Dr. Wanless, (1)	100.00
Dr. Wilson, (4) 6 mos.	400.00
Mr. Richardson, (1)	100.00
	<u>400.00</u>

\$ 5530.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Dr. A. S. Wilson, (5 mos.)	\$ 415.63
Miss E. A. Foster, (5 mos.)	208.33
	<u>625.00</u>

## CHILDREN:

Dr. Wilson, (4 - 6 mos.)	200.00
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## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

Dr. Wilson and family,	1200.00
Miss Foster,	300.00
	<u>1500.00</u>

\$ 2525.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

One Bible Woman,	Rupees.
	150.

## OTHER HELPERS:

Two Helpers,	372.
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## SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

Lesson Helps, etc.,	20.
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## ITINERATING:

For Station,	200.
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Rs. 742.-

## CLASS V. EDUCATIONAL.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

Three day schools,	500.
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Rs. 500.-



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## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

		Rupees.	
<b>ATTENDANTS:</b>			
	Two Assistants,	624.	
	Two Compounders,	408.	
	Three Nurses,	480.	
	Three Pupil Nurses,	288.	
	Clerk,	120.	
	Six scholarships,	696.	
	Other Helpers,	944.	
		<u>3560.</u>	
	Receipts on field,	553.	3007.
<b>MEDICINES:</b>			
	Medicines,	5417.	
	Receipts on field,	<u>5417.</u>	
<b>OTHER EXPENSES:</b>			
	Sweeper tax,	60.	
	Washing and diet,	895.	
	Lights and heating,	350.	
	Repairs,	50.	
	Books and printing,	150.	
	Postage and stationery,	25.	
		<u>1530.</u>	
	Receipts on field,	<u>1530.</u>	Rupees. 3007. ✓

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

<b>RENTS:</b>	For School,	48.	
<b>TAXES:</b>	Land and Buildings,	80.	
<b>REPAIRS:</b>	Hospital and residences,	600.	
<b>ATTENDANTS:</b>	Gardener,	72.	Rupees. 800. ✓

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

<b>MISSION MEETINGS:</b>	Travel,	200.	
<b>BOOKS &amp; PRINTING:</b>	For Station,	55.	
<b>STATIONERY &amp; POSTAGE:</b>	For Station use,	25.	
<b>MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:</b>	For Station,	150.	
<b>PERSONAL TEACHERS:</b>	Dr. Heston, Mr. Richardson,	270.	Rupees. 700. ✓

SUMMARY FOR KIRAJ.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	\$ 5550.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	2325.00 ✓	
CLASS IV.		742. ✓
CLASS V.		586. ✓
CLASS VI.		3007. ✓
CLASS VII.		800. ✓
CLASS IX.		700. ✓
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TOTAL.	\$ 7855.00 ✓	5835. Rupees.
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## APPROPRIATIONS FOR ANNUAL

1906-1907.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## ADULTS:

Rev. J. M. Irwin, D. D.,	\$ 1080.00
Rev. E. M. Wilson,	1080.00
Mr. John Jolly, (6 mos.)	540.00
Rev. H. A. Kernan,	648.00
Miss Grace Enright,	540.00
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	3888.00

## CHILDREN:

Mr. Jolly, (5 - 6 mos.)	250.00
Mr. Wilson, (5)	500.00
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\$4638.00 ✓

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Mr. Jolly, (5 mos.)	\$ 416.67
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## CHILDREN:

Mr. Jolly, (5 - 6 mos.)	250.00
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## TRAVEL &amp; FREIGHT:

Mr. Jolly and family.	900.00
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\$1566.67 ✓

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

One to be appointed,	Rupees. 84.
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## SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

Lesson Helps,	36.
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## EXPENSING:

Conveyances,	25.
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## ANY OTHER WORK:

Tracts and Books,	30.
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Rupees. 175. ✓

## CLASS V. EDUCATIONAL.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

High School, Boys'

Six teachers,	1104.
Clerk, Peon and Servants,	442.
Books & stationery,	128.
Food and clothing, 40 boys,	1440.
Medicines and other expenses,	258.
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	3372.

Receipts on field; 360. 3832.

CLASS V, Continued.  
Brought forward,

Rupees.  
3998.

Industrial School.

Five teachers,	1000.	
Tools,	800.	
8 Teachers to be appointed,	450.	
Books, stationery, etc.	100.	
Food and clothing,	1160.	
Servants and medicines,	510.	
Other expenses,	150.	
	<u>3450.</u>	

Receipts on field,	8000.	
	<u>1408.</u>	1408.

Station School, Primary.

11 teachers,	810.	
Servants,	500.	
Books and stationery,	145.	
Medicines and other exps.	300.	
Food and clothing,	350.	
	<u>5451.</u>	

Receipts on field,	4275.	1176.
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DAY SCHOOLS:

Three Day Schools,		200.
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Rupees. 5180.

CLASS VII, PROPERTY IN USE.

RENTS:

Boys' School,	6.	
Girls' School,	12.	
Land for Conservancy,	5.	
	<u>23.</u>	

Receipts on field,	6.	17.
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TAXES:

Missionary Premises,	55.	
Buildings in town,	2.	
Mt. Douglas,	87.	142.

INSURANCE:

Industrial Shop,		14.
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REPAIRS:

Sangli Buildings,	300.	
Mt. Douglas,	150.	450.

ATTENDANTS.

Sangli and Mt. Douglas,		165.
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Rupees. 733.

CLASS IX, MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS: - Annual Meeting,	200.
BOOKS & PRINTING:	16.
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:	40.
MEDICAL ALLOWANCES.	250.
PERSONAL TEACHERS: - Mr. Ebnan,	180.

Rupees. 653.



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CIRCULARS FOR SANCHEI.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	\$ 4633.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	1566.67 ✓	
CLASS IV.		175. ✓
CLASS V.		5180. ✓
CLASS VII.		788. ✓
CLASS II.		655. ✓
TOTAL.	\$ 6204.67 ✓	6798. Rupees.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR VENICATRE.

1906-1907.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

SALARIES:			
CHURCHMAN:	Rev. William H. Hannum, (11 mos.)	4200.00	
	Mr. Hannum, (2)	500.00	
			\$4700.00

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

CHILDREN:	Mr. Hannum, (1)	\$150.00	
FREIGHT & TRAVEL:	Mr. Hannum and family,	100.00	
			\$250.00

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN:	One to be appointed,	Rupees.	
OTHER HELPERS:	One Helper,	84.	
ITINERATION:	Travel,	188.	
ANY OTHER WORK:	Tracts and books,	100.	
		<u>25</u>	
	Less receipts on field,	557.	
		<u>25</u>	
		582.	
			Rupees. 582.

CLASS V. EDUCATION.

DAY SCHOOLS:	Teachers and expenses,	435.	
			Rupees. 435.

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENTS:	School,	77.	
	Preaching Hall,	60.	
TAXES:	Missionary dwelling,	<u>420.</u>	557.
REPAIRS:	Missionaries' income,		
	General,		100.
			Rupees. 657.



CLASS IX. MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.		Rupees.
MISSION MEETING:		
Travel,		155.
BOOKS & PRINTING:		
Secretary's records,		30.
STATIONERY & POSTAGE:		40.
SANITARIUMS:		
Travel,		175.
		Rupees. 450.

## SUMMARY FOR VENGURLE:

	GOLD.	RUPES.
CLASS I.	₹ 1190.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	1050.00 ✓	
CLASS IV.		532. ✓
CLASS V.		435. ✓
CLASS VII.		657. ✓
CLASS IX.		450. ✓
TOTAL.	₹ 2240.00 ✓	2074. Rupees.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

1906-1907.

SALARIES:

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

Miss Grace E. Wilder,	\$ 500.00
Mrs. L. E. Havens,	300.00
	<u>600.00</u>

\$600.00 ✓

HOME ALLOWANCE:

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

Miss E. E. Scheurman,	\$ 500.00
Miss A. L. Giles,	300.00
	<u>600.00</u>

\$600.00 ✓

RENTS:

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

For Settlement,	Rupees.
	720.

Rupees. 720. ✓

SUMMARY FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENT WORK.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I.	\$ 600.00 ✓	
CLASS II.	600.00 ✓	
CLASS VII.		720.
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TOTAL.	\$1200.00 ✓	720. Rupees.

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## SUMMARY FOR WESTERN INDIA MISSION.

	GOLD.	RUPYAS.
KOLHAPUR.	\$ 5640.00	8172.
RAINAGIRI.	2670.00	5238.
KODOLI.	3155.00	4613.
MIRAJ.	7855.00	5835.
SANGLI.	6204.67	6798.
VENGURLE.	2240.00	2074.
VILLAGES SETTLEMENT.	1200.00	720.
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TOTAL.	\$ 28944.67	35420. Rupees.

The grant to the Western India Mission for the fiscal year 1906-1907, is \$28,944.67, Gold, for Classes I and II, and 31,349. Rupees, for the remaining Classes, excepting III and VIII. This sum includes all the special object pledges that have been made for the work of your Mission, and a further sum for which no pledges have yet been made, but which the Board guarantees in the expectation that the necessary money will be forthcoming. Any additional special object gifts that may come in, will be applied toward this now unassigned work, unless accompanied by conditions which forbid such application, in which case the Board will give them separate consideration. The foregoing estimates of the Mission are approved by the Board, with the understanding that the Mission may make such changes as it may deem wise under the powers granted in Paragraph 48, of the Manual, and with the understanding that the total expenditure shall not exceed the grant herein authorized. As any changes or corrections may be desired will not affect the total grant to the Mission, they should be adjusted on the field under the Mission's power of transfer. The Board will be unable to make any appropriations for Class VIII, unless special gifts are provided for that purpose. Any grants for New Missionaries will be specially reported.

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April 27th, 1906.

The Rev. James M. Goheen,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Goheen:--

Your steamer, we understand, will likely come in on Sunday, and as I shall be in Pittsburgh then, I am sending this note to you by the hands of Alexander. I hope that you and Mrs. Goheen have had a good voyage, and I am looking forward with great joy to seeing you both. Mrs. Ferris, who is at Pelham Manor, is also very anxious to see you, and I think she is sending a note to you to the steamer.

I shall be back on Monday and I trust that you and Mrs. Goheen are going to be here long enough for us to have a little talk, at least, together.

With warm regards to you both, and rejoicing that you are safely home, I am

Very affectionately yours,



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May 9th, 1906.

The Rev. H. A. Kernan,  
Sangli, S. M. C., India.

My dear Mr. Kernan:--

We have just cabled you to-day that the Board has appointed Miss Judson a member of our Western India Mission and fixed your salary at that of a salary of a married man, her appointment and this increase of your salary to date from your marriage, which we understand will be early in June. The American Board has given up Miss Judson with the greatest reluctance. Dr. Barton wrote that he was earnestly in hopes that the Prudential Committee might see its way to appoint you, but the Committee felt unable to modify its policy to appoint no new missionaries this year. I rejoice to welcome Miss Judson, and hope and pray that God may richly bless you both and that your relationship with our Board may be a permanent one and full of mutual happiness and joy.

In accordance with your letter, we have cabled simply, "Kernan, Sangli. Arranged".

With kind regards and hearty congratulations,

Very sincerely yours,



May tenth, 1906.

Miss Sarah P. Judson,  
Miraj, India.

My Dear Miss Judson:-

I strongly suspect that by the time this letter reaches you, you and Mr. Kernan will have been married. I cabled to him on Wednesday the one word "Arranged," indicating that the American Board had released you, and that our Board had appointed you one of its missionaries. I am sorry for the sorrow and sacrifice of the American Board, but I am glad that you have come to our Mission instead of its being necessary for Mr. Kernan to leave it. I trust you may both be very happy in your relationship to the Mission, as I know you will in your new relationship to one another.

The American Board sent us your letters and testimonials at the time of your appointment, but we should be glad to have some information for our files which these papers do not contain. And I am sending you by this mail under separate cover, a personal Record Blank used in applications for missionary appointment here at home. Will you kindly fill these out as far as you are able to and send them back? At the meeting of the Board on Monday, you were regularly appointed on the basis of your connection with the American Board, and the blanks which I am now sending are merely for purposes of information. I send also a copy of the Manual of the Board, with the Manual Acceptance Card, which we should be glad to have you sign and return, after you have read the Manual. And I send also, a little book of personal counsel, from some of our older missionaries, a copy of which you may have seen but in which you will find if you have not seen it, much in which you will be interested.

With kind regards, and wishing you and Mr. Kernan every joy, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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May 17th, 1906.

Mr. John Jolly,  
 1111 Bloor Street,  
 Toronto, Canada.

My Dear Mr. Jolly:-

I am sorry to hear that you have not gained more rapidly, and trust it may be possible for you to get down to Clinton Springs. All the Board rooms in the Sanitarium are occupied now, but you could get board in the village for almost any amount of time and deliver a week up, and the Sanitarium would give you free treatment, just as they would in the Sanitarium building proper. If you were in the buildings, and in one of the Board rooms, the charge would be five dollars per week. So that the being in the village is a little more expensive, but the inconvenience of being out of the Sanitarium buildings may not be great. If you are willing to wait until there is a vacancy in one of the rooms, we would be glad to put your name on the list. In that case it would be well to remember that these rooms are not open to the use of the Board during the month of July and August, in view of the pressure on the Sanitarium at that time.

Perhaps by the time you will be ready to go, there will be a vacancy. Indeed, since I began this letter I learn that one of the rooms is occupied now by people who have already been at the Sanitarium longer than the time allowed to each individual, which is six weeks, and are there with the understanding that the privilege is to be given up at any time that anyone who has not been there will require it. If you will let me know, accordingly, when you would be ready to go to the Sanitarium, I should be glad to write with reference to your coming.

You will be interested to know that Mr. Kernan and Miss Juison are to be married on July fourth. Miss Juison is no case over to our Division, instead of Mr. Kernan going over to hers.

With kind regards to Mrs. Jolly and yourself,  
 Very cordially yours,



May 31st, 1906.

Miss Grace I. Enright,  
Bangli, India.

My Dear Miss Enright,-

Your letter of March 31st was received last month. I find I have not answered either of your letters of last December, one dated the 21st, and the other the 29th. I do not think it is necessary now to go back to deal with any of these old questions. We will let the past disappear, carrying only its lessons with us into the future. I like Paul's courageousness of dealing with these things. He says that as for himself, he is willing to "leave the past behind him and to press forward to the things that are before." The writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews believed in the same great principle of looking not backwards/away unto Jesus at the goal to which we go. So suppose we say nothing more about the past years, but just resolve that the future years will not repeat the past years' mistakes.

I hope that you are very well and that the work is going forward especially, and that Bob's presence is a blessing. Are you able to speak the language now readily, or is it still hard for you? I hope that you may come to speak it/readily as you do English, and be able with a great tenderness and love to counsel Christ to the women and girls.

It was so nice to see Mr. and Mrs. Goheen when they arrived a few days ago. They were looking very well, but Mr. Goheen had some trouble with one foot, either through a sprain or some other difficulty, which made it hard for him to walk. I hope they are having a good rest out among their own people in Central Pennsylvania.





Miss Sitright,

true that in a real sense, as this excellent business man says, the missionaries need the prayers of the home church even more than the home church needs their prayers. But which ever way we put the matter, it is certainly true that we ought all to be laboring together with increasing unity and love, in prayer for one another, that we may be strengthened each by the faith of the other, and that we may be enabled all of us, to fulfil in faithfulness and power all the will of God.

It will always be a pleasure to hear from you and I hope that God may bless you more and more in your work.

Very cordially yours,

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Hans second, 1906.

The Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
Vengurle, India.

My Dear Mr. Hannum:-

I am humiliated to think how long it has been since I have written personally to you. I had not meant to let so long a time pass, but the winter is not an easy time to keep up as one wishes to do with the personal correspondence. All the points that needed special attention I think have been covered in letters to the Mission.

My letters from you were dated December 4th and 5th, enclosing the Mission Minutes and estimates. I received also with one Minute and reported your postal card of November ninth. I would acknowledge two splendid letters from Mrs. Hannum dated December ninth. The general letter was copied, and a copy sent to Mr. Palmer, and many other copies used in different ways.

I see that there is another letter from you later than the ones I have mentioned, containing the most interesting notes from Vengurle, dated March 15th. These notes also we have copied, and are giving them wide circulation.

We are very much disturbed over the property trouble. All that is in Mr. Day's hands, however, so that I have not all the details in hand. I am distressed to learn from your letter of March 13th, that Mr. Graham has been acting in entire independence in the matter. I asked Mr. Johnson about this matter as was done, without mentioning you at all of course, and he gave me quite a different view, stating that Mr. Graham was fully consulting the Mission about these matters, and that the present complication was one on which, and the steps leading up to which, the Mission was fully informed, and in which Mr. Graham was acting under Mission judgment. Was Mr. Graham in error in this?

I am glad that you approve of the suggestion as to the Exe.

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... it is good to have your renewal of your suggestion regarding the Board's role in the estimates and appropriations. I do not think the complexity of the estimates and appropriations, however, necessitates a long session meeting, or can be justly made responsible for a needily long meeting. The estimates are uniform for all the Missions, many Missions much larger and more complex than the Western India Mission, and they are able to attend to all their business, including the consideration of the estimates in a fraction of the time which the Western India Mission has found necessary.

The main question seems to me to be not one of estimates, but one of care on the part of the Missions in the administration of trust funds. Eliminating altogether the Board and its principles, the only way in which a Mission could wisely administer the money entrusted to it is by making out a carefully detailed budget in advance. If money is lumped in large general sums, and the distribution of these amounts is left to individual judgment, without the scrutiny which a detailed budget required, there will be sure to be waste and wrong use of funds. All that the Board asks is that it may have a copy of precisely such a statement as any Mission would insist on preparing for itself under a high sense of its responsibility as a trustee of funds to be used for a specific purpose.

I think the present estimates are much simpler than the estimates formerly were, and I hope we may print some new sheets this year which will perhaps be a little clearer and perhaps a little more simple even than the last ones have been.

Our hearts were all saddened last week by the tidings of the death of Mr. H. H. H. of Urumia. He had not been well for some time, and the doctors in Urumia thought his trouble was some intestinal stricture which would call for operation here. He was reluctant to come, but as his furlough was due, and as he was urged both by the Station and us here to come home for a rest, he left with his son Robert, who took his brother's place in Urumia after



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the tragic death of the latter. Robert intended to leave his father in Hamburg and return, but his father's condition was such that he could not do so. It was well that he did not; for Dr. Labaree died on the steership crossing the Atlantic. The body was embalmed, and the autopsy showed that the death was caused by cancer. A wireless message was sent informing us of his death, and all the friends were notified and the arrangements made for the funeral before the ship was sighted. How unbelievable anything of this sort would have been ten years ago! There was a truly Christian little funeral service in the Fifth Avenue Church. It was one of these little services where nothing was said or done that was not in entire consistency with our Christian faith and hope. As I came away, Professor Yohanan, of Columbia University, a Hestorian from Urumia, who had known Dr. Labaree for years, came up to me and spoke in the most affectionate and grateful way of Dr. Labaree's character and life, and said that the two qualities in Dr. Labaree which had most impressed the people in Persia, were his conscientiousness and innocence. It seemed to me that that was a noble tribute. What higher praise could any man desire? I thought during the service, of a letter which Dr. Labaree wrote me ten years ago, when I was starting out to visit the Missions. He expressed the hope that Mrs. Speer and I might carry some spiritual comfort to the weary and burdened workers, and then he said:

You can carry no greater boon to them, you can give to the Mission cause none so much needed impulse as the impartation of higher spiritual aspirations, a more intense loyalty to the person of our Lord.

I have been set thinking by ... Bible Institute. The atmosphere of the place has set him afire. I will enclose a copy of one of his letters that you may judge of the effect of the course of Bible Study upon him. Now the question arises in my mind, why didn't he kindle in this way on mission ground; why should not missionary life be of the same high turn as this at the Bible Institute? Some allowance, of course, must be made for the exceptional man in charge of the Institute, selected out of multitudes for this special work. But why not trust that entrance upon missionary work is ever to make men exceptionally devout and Christlike? I must say I look back upon my own missionary life with regret that it was not keyed on a higher note spiritually.

I have often thought of those words of Dr. Labaree's since. Two years later he did return to the mission field, and I think everyone would say



Mr. Wilson,

that my life was "keyed" on a higher note spiritually. I loved Dr. Labaree with the love that a son might bear to his father. While he was in this country, we talked together in the most intimate and unreserved friendship; and since he went back to Persia our correspondence had been one of my constant joys. It is a great thing to have had the privilege of such a friendship; and as I think of him, I recall the words of the holy Romaine regarding the Saviour:

"Methinks that I hear His sweet voice, 'Come closer, come closer, nearer yet. I will bring you into the circumstances that you cannot do one moment without Me.'"

And I have been thinking, also, as the holy and tender memories of Dr. Labaree's life come back, with all their testimony to the sweetness and reality of a life of inward fellowship with Christ, of the lines of Lyte: -

"Long did I toil and know no earthly rest,  
Far did I rove and found no lasting home,  
At last I sought them in His sheltering breast,  
Who opens His arms and bids the weary come.  
And with Him I found a home, a rest divine,  
And I since then as His and He is mine.

"The good I have is from His store supplied,  
The ill is only what He deems the best,  
He for my Friend, I'm rich with naught beside,  
And poor without Him.  
Changes may come; I take or I resign,  
I am His, while He is mine.

"Whate'er may change, in Him no change is seen,  
A glorious sun that waxes not nor declines,  
Above the clouds and storms He walks serene,  
And sweetly on His people's darkness shines.  
All may depart; I fret not nor repine,  
While I my Saviour's am, while He is mine."

is it not one of the strongest things, at the same time our own experience shows us that it is one of the most natural things in the world, that with such a possibility waiting at the very door of our hearts, we lose it.

What is your opinion about the manifestations connected with the Ratnagiri revival? We have seen Mr. Wilson's criticisms, and we have been severely taken to task here at home for printing Mr. Wiley's statement. Other friends of the work have been pleased, however, and no harm comes I am sure from facing the facts. I should be interested to have your judgment, espec-



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ially as to the present spiritual results of the revival, and the influence which it has exerted on the Christians, in the way of making them evangelists to the non-Christians. Are many outside the Church responding to the Gospel now, as the result of the testimony of those who were awakened by the revival?

With personal regards to Mrs. Hanson and yourself.

Your sincere friend,

Wm. S. Hild

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June 7th, 1906.

The Rev. A. L. Wiley,  
Ratnageri, India.

My dear Mr. Wiley:

Your good letter of March 2nd was duly received. In it you answered the inquiry with reference to Mr. Moorehead's losses. I reported what you said at once to the new Treasurer, Mr. Kay, and while the matter still is not altogether clear to us, it seemed best to the Board, when the case was stated, to make the appropriation of \$2000 in reimbursement. Your statement of the case was entirely clear, but it did not seem to correspond exactly to the statement of the case made in the session minutes. Perhaps there was some error or confusion in that statement, but taking your statement alone, the case was perfectly clear and the Board made the desired appropriation.

Perhaps I ought to acknowledge especially the various notes and letters which I have received from you and Mrs. Wiley, because it has been a long time, too long, since I last wrote to you. I think I have never answered Mrs. Wiley's splendid letter of June 16th, and I have your two notes of Dec. 7, testifying to Miss Unsworth's membership in the Persian Church of Ummaia, and your two letters of Dec. 21st, and March 2nd.

With reference to Miss Ferguson and Miss Unsworth, the reason of the failure of the Board to appoint them was financial. The mission was asking the Board to increase the appropriation for the West Mission by about \$2000 in the request for the appointment of Miss Ferguson, Miss Unsworth and Mr. Moorehead. We have since had



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some correspondence with the friends of Miss Ferguson and Miss Unsworth in England, and have offered to transmit to them any funds their friends might wish to send, in case arrangements can be made with the S.B.M.M.

What you say in your two letters regarding the action of the mission with reference to shortening the term for the Yenka is very strong. As far as health returns, these are, of course, within the authority of the mission, acting on the basis of medical certificate. Your point is, I know, that missionaries will not go home on such a basis, but will hang on to their work until health is so far broken that furlough is not sufficient to restore them. Shall the difficulty be met by longer vacations in the case of the Yenka missionaries? I mean longer absence at healthful hill stations. What you say about the value of prolonged stay in one place is, I believe, true, and the same time the North India Mission does not act on that principle. It has a rule, I believe, when a missionary leaves on furlough, it is understood his connection with the station is severed, and the mission will determine afresh the question of his location upon his return.

I hope that the mission will consider again carefully the whole question, especially in connection with the proposed plan of six months furlough, adding the time of travel home and back. If that plan could be adopted, would that meet the difficulty? It seems to me that an absence from the field of eighteen months, after any term of service, long or short, is enough thoroughly to disrupt ones work.

I hope that Mrs. Wiley will not have been suffering from the hot season. I trust that she went away to a more healthy station,

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and may have had a good refreshing rest.

We have all rejoiced in the tidings of spiritual awakening in the Patnagri Church. Dr. Halsey printed your account of the revival in the Assembly Herald and also as a leaflet. It has called forth some sharp criticism, as well as some enthusiastic and joyful approval. A doctor in Orange, New Jersey, has sent us a rather extended statement criticising the manifestations of the revival. I have called his attention to the prevalence of some such manifestations in many of the religious awakenings. Personally I do not object to them, provided they are authenticated by the right moral results. Are the people continuing in a godly and pure life? Are they more zealous in their testimony to those outside the Church? Is their testimony more fruitful and conclusive towards those who resisted their testimony before, and are those yielding to it?

I hope that you and Mrs. Wiley are greatly encouraged and I trust that this may have been a real fire, which instead of extinguishing, burns brighter and brighter and throws its light farther and farther into the surrounding country.

I have been reading in the train the last few days Parkes's "Jesus Christ and the Christian Character" and Bowie's "The Imminence of God". They are both good books, and I have got a good deal from them, but I can criticise both at many points. The ease with which one sees what he regards as the inside part of the wrong emphasis in another man's views, ought to make him very modest about his own. If others manifestly err, we may be sure that we are doing the same thing. I think the same ground for humility applies in the



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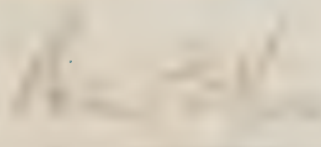
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realm of character and in the matter of opinion. The thing that seems to me most real and most pathetic in life is our blindness to our own faults. Many of them we see, but many others we do not see. If we saw, we would contend against them. But either we do not see them, or else we once did see them and went on harboring them, so that they get themselves settled in our lives. And I have wondered another one reason for the temptation to hide the living Christ sometimes behind an orthodox opinion about him may not lie in the fact that if we let Him come too near, He lays bare in too much nakedness our own unworthiness and unlikeness to Him. How good those spiritual experiences are in which we awake to a real rejoicing at His loving nearness, searching us with His undecivable eyes, and offering us at the same time, at His gracious hands, the strength that we need in order to conquer the evils which He lays bare, and so achieve the works which He encourages us to believe we can do in His strength.

With kind regards to you all, I am,

Your sincere friend,





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June 6th, 1905.

Dr. W. J. Wanlass,  
Miraj, S.M.C.,  
India.

My dear Dr. Wanlass:

I see I have four letters from you to acknowledge, dated Nov. 24th, Dec. 22nd, Feb. 2nd, and April 6th. I think that all points needing my Board's attention have been looked after. I have written fully in letters to the Mission regarding the two new out-stations which have been supported by the friends in Bryn Mawr. We shall be glad to hear, in due time, of the final selection of the out-stations. I am not surprised that you want to put them in British territory. In the Satara district, will they not be near the American work? Is Mr. Bruce still living? I have a dim recollection of having heard of his death.

What is to be the out-come of these land troubles? Are we actually to have to pay such <sup>an</sup> enormous and absurd fine? I should think it would be better to let the state confiscate the property in question. It cannot be worth as much, can it, as the fines enclosed.

I have asked the Treasurer's office to get you Chinese Gordan's letters to his sister. I think you would enjoy that best of the Gordan books. Butler's "Gordan" is published by the MacMillan Company, in case you should ever want to get it. It is not a very large book.

We received a very interesting letter a few days ago, from a doctor in Orange, New Jersey, criticising Mr. Wiley's account of the revival phenomenon at Ratnagari. I have written Mr. Wiley that the



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phenomena amount to very little either way with me; that the vital thing is the moral result and that the phenomena are all right if they are followed by more consistent, cleanly and upright lives, and by more powerful and conscientious and fruitful service. What is your judgment of the actual results?

We are having our new missionaries conference now. It is the last day. It has been a very good conference and we all rejoice in the very good quality of the new missionaries this year.

I had a lesson the other day with reference to our right attitude toward difficulties and overcoming our tasks. I got it from our youngest child, a little girl who is just past her fourth birthday. Her mother had just finished afternoon tea, when the youngster came into the room and seeing the table, proposed at once to carry it out of the room into the hall. The table was quite as big as the baby and after watching her struggles for a while, Mrs. Speer said to her, "Baby, you can't carry that table out. It is as big as you are". "Yes", she replied, with a confident smile, "I can. I am as big as it is", and she persevered until she had carried it out as she had planned. There are must those two ways for a man to look at his task and his difficulties. He may say, "There is no use; my problem is as big as I am. I cannot manage it". Or he may say, "Yes, I can. I am as big as it is". Perhaps you have seen the two lines with which Clement closes his "Handbook of Modern Japan". They are from Conington's translation of Virgil.

"These bring success their zeal to fan,  
They can because they think they can".

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That same thought is expressed in a quotation from Fowell Buxton, which I came across again the other evening at home, at the beginning of a chapter in the life of Charles Kingsley:

"The longer I live, the more certain I am that the great difference between men, the feeble and the powerful, the great and the insignificant, is energy and invincible determination--a purpose once fixed and then death or victory. That quality will do anything that can be done in this world; and no talents, no circumstances, no opportunities will make a two-legged creature a man without it".

There are undoubtedly limitations to this view, if we look at the matter from the point of view of the power of will and human tendency alone, but there are no limitations, except in the limitations in God's mission for our lives, if we look at the matter from the point of view of the power which we have by the help of Christ, to fulfill all our task. It is often hard for us to remember this, and I think I shall try to remember, hereafter, my youngster's heroic assertion of herself as against her task, instead of allowing any task of mine to assert itself as against me.

I reported to Dr. Hanson's mother part of your letter with reference to her health. With warm regards to Mrs. Wauless and yourself, I am,

Affectionately your friend,



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May 10, 1900

The Rev. J. M. Irwin, Ph.D.,  
 Mangli, S. W. C., India.

Dear Mr. Irwin,-

Your most helpful and illuminating letter of March 15th was received some weeks ago. I had not meant to let myself get into debt to you for another good letter until I had answered your letter of November 10th, written from Mount Douglas after the annual meeting. I have now both of these splendid letters to acknowledge.

I have seen a little photograph of the wedding and can imagine it must have been a very delightful occasion. It was reassuring to hear from you that both Mr. and Mrs. Simpson seemed to be quite happy on the occasion.

I am glad to know that you contemplate bringing up some time again the question of the reception of government grants. I was very much disappointed, the last time it came up, that the Board did not instruct the mission to accept such grants. It was not willing to do this, however, but it has always approved of the acceptance of the grants by the North India Mission, and whenever you Mission decides to accept them, I feel confident that it will meet with the Board's approval.

You spoke in one of your letters of the possibility of the Mission's printing a report of its work upon the field. The Punjab Mission has done this for some years. I do not know that the Board would object to the Mission's doing this, if it feels this is a most important way to spend some of its funds than upon the work itself. I think the use that is made of these special Mission reports, printed upon the field, here at home in the capital is most efficient and I am sure that it is not worth while printing them so far as their use here

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is concerned. The Punjab Mission has printed its reports for years because it has had a number of friends among the British in India. In the earlier years there were more of them than now and they gave liberally to the support of the work. Is it for such a circulation in the field that you feel the miscellaneous reports should be printed?

We were all very much interested in the proposition with reference to some employment of Mr. Taylor in preparation of this vernacular literature, but the only way in which the Board would have made any provision for financial aid would have been by reflecting here part of the appropriations for your mission or by taking from other missions. Your letter indicates that the former course could not have been approved by you and properly so, and you can readily see that the other course would not have been approved by the other missions and would not have been just to them.

In one of his letters, Mr. Wainwright referred to the matter of simplifying the estimates by giving the missions a lump sum and I cannot reply better to your suggestion on that point than by quoting what I wrote to him:-

"The main question seems to me to be not one of estimates, but one of care on the part of the Missions in the administration of trust funds. Eliminating altogether the Board and its principles, the only way in which a Mission could properly administer the money entrusted to it is by sending out a carefully detailed budget in advance. If money is lumped in large general sums, and the distribution of these sums is left to individual judgment, without the scrutiny which a detailed budget requires, there will be sure to be waste and wrong use of funds. All that the Board asks is that it may have a copy of precisely such a statement as any Mission would insist on preparing for itself under a high sense of its responsibility as a trustee of funds to be used for a specific purpose."

Let me thank you heartily for your good letter of March 15th, explaining carefully about the schools in Punjab. With reference to the idea of industrial training, in the way



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School, you say, "I have always understood that mission do not teach industries ~~to~~ supply the means of livelihood and self-support to native Christians and churches." I have never so understood. To provide the means of livelihood and self-support is one object of industrial training, but it is not the only object. The whole tendency of a ~~new~~ education is towards a large use of industrial agencies as an educational influence. Here at home our industrial schools are among our most extensive institutions and the industrial feature is not primarily to secure <sup>the</sup> self-support of the institution. It is a good deal cheaper to teach Latin and Greek than blacksmithing or carpentry. The industrial features are introduced because they train the eye and the hand, because they develop the sense for veracity in work, and because they teach that all work is honorable and so develop the sense of human brotherhood and break down those caste distinctions that are the curse of Asia as well as of the United States. I have no doubt that the idea of suggesting manual and industrial work in some of our schools in India will seem preposterous and impracticable but the general difficulty of the education we are giving in those institutions is the very difficulty that here in America we are trying to remedy now in many good schools by industrial work. The reason schools like Tuskegee and Hampton have the confidence of a great body of our people is a way in which our own church schools among the Freedmen have set is that Tuskegee and Hampton proceed on the industrial principle and teach the honorableness of all work and so develop a long-suffered practical type of ministers or teachers. I do not know that any of our missions are strong enough to fight against

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The caste feeling in India and that miserable prejudice which makes preachers, teachers and the professional classes look down upon all manual toil, but I am sure that one great curse of the Indian church is just this clerk spirit, this professional pride, this exaltation of teaching, preaching and clerical work as superior to other forms of toil. I do not say this with any purpose of modifying your policy in the High School, because, as I say, you will probably feel that to try anything of the sort would be kicking against the pricks, but I do think it worth while to correct your impression that self-support is the chief reason for the introduction of the industrial element into mission schools.

I heartily agree with your view that the great need is an enlargement of the appropriations for the working classes and the development of a great many more workers of the right sort within those classes. You may be interested in a letter which came just a few days ago from one of the best of our young men in the Punjab Mission:-

"I have been trying to gain an understanding of the methods and tendency of the District Work or Village Work, as it is of an called, of our mission and I find great difficulty in understanding the situation in which we are placed and what course we must adopt in the future. It is true that we have no money for employing more men in the Districts, but even if we had the money, we would still be in difficulty, for sad to say there are very few new workers of any grade available. I fear that we shall have to begin at the very bottom again and do what we can with men from the villages who will be taught simply for a few months and sent out to work part of the year.

The "Interior", of Chicago, had a brief statement in it not long ago about the missionary being expected not to preach but to direct a force of native workers. It is very true there are workers to be directed, but I fear our Punjab Mission hasn't gotten very far yet along that line and my feeling is that we are, at present, at a complete stand-still, as far as native workers are concerned.

I hope our next annual meeting will result in something being planned to improve and advance the Village Work of the Mission."



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The only way to make headway in this matter is for individuals who have it heavily on their hearts to lay out their own plan so as to meet this really great need.

I received an interesting letter recently from a business man here, who is a very successful expert in advertising and an earnest Christian man. He said that it often seemed to him that the home churches needed the prayers of missionaries much more than the missionaries need our prayers, and he quoted to me the following paragraph which he had written to a missionary in his own church in India:-

"I want to ask for deeper fellowship in your prayers. If the home churches are to be of greatest use to the foreign field, it must be through that sympathy and action in prayer that can only spring from a realized nearness to the heart of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Indeed, I do not know but that the home churches suffer from neglect more than the missionaries of the foreign field. By the grace of God you are constantly bringing things to pass. You are among people who are eager to know about what they know are sincerely willing to accept Him, in many instances at least. Of course, I recognize that there must be among you a number who have mixed motives in becoming Christians, but at the same time the number of earnest seekers and actual converts to the faith of our Lord, must often greatly encourage the missionary and bring him in such vital contact with Christ for greater equipment for the task before him, so that he becomes a true and living channel of God's grace. With us at home on the other hand, in fully evangelized communities, among Gospel-hardened people, we so seldom see the smile on the face of a new-born soul, that we are apt to become discouraged and to live formally and without that inspiration which is, no doubt, your chief joy.

Do you not see that if we are to support you in any spiritual sense, we need your prayers that we may be truly active in God's work in the world, whether at home or abroad? Are you we are or ought to be discontented with our lot, even though it appear to be harder from the spiritual standpoint than that of yours, but I repeat it, we need your earnest supplications."

It seems almost wicked at first thought to lay this burden on missionaries abroad. I have often said in speaking of the churches, that it seemed to me proper for the church at home to send out missionaries to the foreign field to give their time to evangelization of people there, and then to demand that these missionaries should take time to advertise to

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interest the people at home and to convince them that they ought  
to help in the missionary enterprise, and yet just such effort  
is what we know is absolutely necessary, and the men and women  
who are abroad to represent home churches have to do not only  
the work for which they go, but work which the home church  
ought not to need to have done for it at all. In the same way,  
I suppose, it is true that in a real sense, as this earnest  
business man says, the missionaries need the prayers of the home  
church even less than the home church needs their prayers. But  
which ever way we put the matter, it is certainly true that we  
ought all to be laboring together with increasing unity and  
love, in prayer for one another, that we may be strengthened  
each by the faith of the other, and that we may be enabled, all  
of us, to fulfil in fruitfulness and power all the will of God.

With kind regards to Mrs. Irwin and yourself,

Your sincere friend,



June 12th, 1906.

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Miss Alice S. Giles,

Devon, Penna.

My dear Miss Giles:-

I was delighted to get your note of June eighth, to know of your safe arrival. But it seems not entirely right to have you so near by and yet not to have seen you yet. I shall hope to see you before very long. Mr. Folland, Mr. H. C. Coleman, to whose Camp in Northern New Hampshire we have been accustomed to go for part of the summer, spoke to me the other day about having you up to the Camp, and I encouraged him in this idea. I wish he might be led to invite you to go up as his guest. It is an ideal place for getting strong, and there is always a very nice little company in the Camp.

I do not know how long Mr. Torrey and Mr. Morgan will be in New York in the summer, but Dr. Morgan is to preach for Br. Stevenson some time this summer, and I learn from Dr. White's Bible School, that Dr. Torrey is expected in New York in July at the Fifth Avenue Church, the 1st, 6th and 10th.

I am giving Mr. Fay's office word to send any mail to you at your present address until you send us further instructions.

I am going away Thursday of this week to be gone three weeks, at the various Summer Student Conferences, but shall be back the fifth of July, and shall be there until about the middle of August. It will be a great pleasure to see you at any time then.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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Mr. J. C. Graham,  
President, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My Dear Mr. Graham:-

I have expressed in the letter which goes to the  
Mission by this mail, our congratulations to you and Mrs. Graham. I trust  
that God may richly bless your union, and guide you in all your ways.

Mr. Day wishes me to tell you that we have received \$270. from the  
Women's Society of the Mount Airy Church, Philadelphia, for Indian Scholars.  
and that thirty dollars of this is to cover two new scholarships at Kodaoli.  
If you have two children not otherwise specially supported, but dependant on  
orphan  
general funds, they can of course be set over against this thirty dollars,  
and how many children are you drawing now against the other funds here?

What is the status of the property problem now? Is there any light  
on the matter?

With warm regard.

Your sincere friend,

W. B. E. Day



June 13th, 1906.

Miss Sarah M. Jefferson,

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Jefferson:-

Your good letters of October 13th and January 17th were duly received. I appreciate the spirit which led you to write as you did in your letter of January 17th. I trust the grace of God has been richly with you, and that your work for Him will be more blessed in the future than it has in the many years that are past.

I was glad to have your helpful expression of opinion with reference to the proposed change of service. I hope that the matter may be taken up by the Honorable the Secy. Your views of your own position and that of the Civil Surgeon that a five years term of service in the Deccan is enough, and that after a furlough you might go to the Deccan. As I understand from the other letters, the objection against the suggestion that there should be any entire change between assignments of the Honorable the Secy, is that it would break up the continuity of the military service in the Deccan, and that for the sake of efficiency a man ought to continue in one field going back after a furlough. Your suggestion is entirely opposite that advantage. If after the furlough the Honorable the Secy are to go to the Deccan, I should think it would be far wiser for them to stay say four years in the Deccan and then go over to the Deccan. How long a furlough I should like to ask did the Civil Surgeon think would be necessary after a five years term of service in the Deccan? Would he think that an eighteen months absence from his field would be necessary?

I hope that you and Miss Minor are both very well, and with kind regards, I am,

Your sincere friend,

June 25th, 1900.

To the Western India Mission.

My Dear Friends:--

I have great pleasure in reporting the appointment of Miss Sarah Judson of the Marathi Mission of the American Board, under engagement of marriage to Mr. Karnen, as a missionary of our own Board., Miss Judson's appointment to take effect at the time of her joining our Mission, and Mr. Karnen's salary to be that of a married man from the date of his marriage. Miss Judson will have been connected with the American Board at the time of her marriage, about two years, and we shall adjust with that Board the matter of outfit and travel.

I would report also an appropriation of 300 Rupees, to reimburse Dr. McArthur for loss of Mission funds in the failure of William Watson and Co.

You will already have heard of the discouraging outcome of the last fiscal year, and the deficit of \$72,000. over all the receipts of the year. More than \$40,000. has been carried from the two preceding years, also, and these amount, with \$1,085,500. which constitutes the regular budget for the coming year, a very heavy obligation for the new year. All our united effort and prayers will be required to lead the Church to meet its great duty.

Miss Giles has reached home safely, and is at present near Philadelphia. We have not yet had the pleasure to seeing her, but I hope it may be possible to see quite a little of her this summer.

We have received word of Mr. Graham's marriage to Miss Schenck, and send our heartiest congratulations. I hope that God's richest blessing may rest upon them in all of their life and work.

Various letters from the Mission have referred again to the question of the unhealthfulness of the Konkani cities, and the importance of a shorter term of service there. <sup>of the writers of these letters</sup> Several letters from the Mission have referred to the feeling that the proposition to transfer missionaries from the Konkani to the Dakkan after four years, is impracticable, because it breaks up that continuity of service which is



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a source of influence. Miss Jefferson writes, however, that the question in Ratnagiri has been to favor of a term of service in the Konkan not longer than five years, and that after Durrough, the Member missionaries ought to go to the Deccan. This would break up the principle of continuity as effectively as a transfer from the Konkan to the Deccan, as a transfer in the middle of the term of service would. Suppose a shorter term of service were adopted for the Konkan, would the <sup>world</sup> long need to be the long furlough involving an eighteen months absence from the field, or a sixteen months furlough including travel expenses? The difficulty in this would be as one member of the Mission has pointed out, that if the furlough is taken in the winter, it would involve an absence during some in the fall, leaving India in the best and arriving in the end of the home land, and going back from the cold here to the heat of India. If, on the other hand, it was taken in the summer, missionaries would leave the heat of the cold weather in America, where they should all go <sup>to</sup> Northern Maine or to the mountain summer resorts. The principle I know is entirely <sup>sound</sup> right to consider this whole matter, and to do whatever is best. I hope the Mission will carefully study the whole problem, and reach some further decision regarding it at the fall meeting of the Mission.

I hope that all the members of the Mission are well, and that God's blessing is resting richly upon the work.

With kind regards to all.

Your sincere friend,



June 15th, 1903.

Miss Mary Ferguson,

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Ferguson:-

As I have just been writing to Miss Unsworth, we have been hoping to hear of some plan which might develop, by which the financial difficulty which prevented our being able to appointing you and Miss Unsworth last fall might be removed. I had some correspondence with your friends in London, especially Mr. Meyer, on the subject, hoping either that your support in Ratnagiri could be arranged for by gifts from England, passing through our Mission, or that Mr. Meyer could arrange with the Z. B. M. M., for your continuance in the work in Ratnagiri. In his last note, Mr. Meyer said that Christ Church could not entirely support you, and that it would not be well, accordingly, to discontinue the relationship between you and the Z. B. M. M.. I hope it has been possible for you to reach some agreement with them, however, by which you need not leave the work in Ratnagiri.

With kind regards,

Your sincere friend,



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June 13th, 1906.

Miss Frances Unsworth,

Patnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Miss Unsworth:-

I have been hoping to hear that some plan might develop by which the financial difficulty which prevented our Board from appointing you and Miss Ferguson last Fall might be removed. I had some correspondence with your friends in Dinabury about the matter, with the hope either of having some arrangement made by which you could remain in Patnagiri in connection with the Zenana Bible and Mission Society, by which with the approval of the Mission your friends could transfer their support of you to our Board. They were to take up the matter with the home societies of the I. B. M. M., but I have not heard what the outcome was. I trust it may have been an arrangement by which the cordial approval of the I. B. M. M. you have been able to continue in Patnagiri, and go on with your useful work there.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,

June 15th, 1906.

The Rev. H. A. Kernan,

Sangli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My Dear Mr. Kernan:-

Your letter of May 19th was received a few days ago. Your cablegram of May 17th was received the same day. We informed your sister at once that you were expecting to be married on July fourth, and I am glad now to have fuller information from your letter.

Miss Judson was appointed by our Board, her appointment to take effect upon her arrival joining our Mission, which I suppose will be at the time of her marriage to you, and your salary to be that of a married man from the date of her marriage to you. We have arranged the matter with the American Board of transfer of outfit and travel money as soon as we have received word of the wedding, paying the American Board half the amount of the outfit and travel expenses incurred by the Board in sending Miss Judson out to India. This is in accordance with the paragraph in the Manual which has prevailed for some years with Missionary Societies, in accordance with the agreement which regards 25 per cent of the expenses involved in outfit and travel as compensation for being one year on the field, so that if a missionary leaves one Board to join another at the end of three years, only 25 per cent. outfit and travel would be due the Board to which the missionary goes. We are glad to welcome Miss Judson into the Mission, and trust that God may prosper her in the work which she will carry on with you in your home life and its relations.

I am sorry to note the trouble with the bungalow at Sangli. If it were possible for the Board to provide adequate house accommodation will see from the letter which goes to the Mission by this mail, the position now to make any appropriations for new buildings. There are other places, also, which are even more needy than at Sangli. In the New Hunan, we shall have three families this fall, and we have only 0



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In another Section in the same Mission we have three families and a single man, and have had only a Chinese rented house. We are building several houses now, but they are costing only about \$1200. each. I hope that there may be some arrangement made by transfer to some other station or otherwise, that will prevent friction and trouble. Even if the conditions are not ideal, you can prevent trouble if you just decide to prevent it. It takes two bodies rubbing against one another to produce friction, and while one man can make a great deal of trouble by himself, he can not quarrel without another man to quarrel with.

I hope that a way may be found by which Miss Judson's special gifts and training may <sup>do</sup> service in the work, but it is not possible to promise anything more now than the present appropriations to the Mission which ought to be so distributed as to cover all work most important. I earnestly hope that it may not be long before it becomes possible to make real advancement in the appropriations.

With kind regards.

Very sincerely yours,



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The Rev. A. W. Marshall,  
Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My Dear Mr. Marshall:-

I have your two notes of February second and March 23rd to answer, and I have also acknowledged Mr. Marshall's difficulties regarding Miss Ferguson. Also I want to thank you for the beautiful little postal card with the picture of the village house in Bengalee. Your note of February second brought me tidings of the birth of your little girl on January seventh, and your note the sad word of your father's death. Yet, after all, such word is not sad. What a glorious thing it is when souls are released free of all that has bound and hampered them here, and can move out into the indefinite freedom of life and service of God. I think of this, especially recently, in connection with dear Dr. Labaree's death, who was one of the great missionaries of our Church. He was on his way home here, and it would have been very nice to have seen him, but he died on board the ship, and how selfish it would have been to have desired to keep him back from that to which he was gone. Some of those he loved best are there. His Saviour is there. There men are free from sin and all that hinders and binds, and they can move out with joy and freedom in the indefinite service and perfect fellowship of Christ. I have not heard from you for quite a while with reference to the work. What has your work been this past year? and what will you be planning to do this coming fall and winter? Do you enjoy the work? or do you feel that you are accomplishing results in shaping individuals and training them to bear their own responsibilities? I suppose your problem, just as the problem everywhere, is that of strong native helpers. I believe the only way to train these is by personally looking out for suitable men, and working with them and working on them, and loving into them until they catch the right spirit and plan to do with all energy and a sense of responsibility of their own.



Mr. Marshall, C.

It was my idea to write you, and I hope you will get some, and I hope they may get a thoroughly good one. I am sure you will be very much interested in the kind of people, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

July 11th, 1886.

Miss Alice Gilson,

Diamond Point, N. Y.

My Dear Miss Gilson:-

I have just received the enclosed letter from Miss Scott regarding Miss Seabrook's ticket. I enclose herewith a copy of my reply, and I send also Miss Wilder's last letter to me. Have you any suggestion to make? Will you please return both letters?

I hope that you like Diamond Point, and that you feel that you are getting real help and benefit from it. I wish that we were all there,

Very cordially yours,

Wm. Brewster



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July 18th, 1906.

Miss Alice L. Giles,

Diamond Pond, New Hampshire.

My Dear Miss Giles,-

Your good note of July 13th came the other day and as I knew that you would soon receive my letter, which had just gone to you, I waited until I should hear from you to reply. Yesterday your good letter came. I sympathize with you and with Miss Wilder in the desire to have reinforcements for the Settlement, and Miss Rebutish is, I think, an earnest, capable young woman, but Dr. Brown and I, who are here alone now and who will have no opportunity to lay matters before the Board until it meets again in September, hesitate to take the responsibility of sending Miss Rebutish out with no provision for outfit or traveling expenses, (for Miss Scott says nothing of any purpose of hers to help) and with no assurance of her support except the word which Miss Scott sends from Miss Wilder to her. I received a letter from Miss Wilder this morning, dated June 22nd, in which she says nothing whatever of her ability to provide for Miss Rebutish's support. She says only, "I do not yet hear of the appointment of Miss Rebutish. I hope she is coming. We can receive her here for this is a large bungalow." In her previous letter of May 25th, instead of intimating at all that she was expecting to support Miss Rebutish, she implied that she was expecting Mr. Coleman to do so. You can perhaps find out indirectly from Mr. Coleman whether he is intending to do this.

I would very much rather have Mr. Coleman take up your support, if he is willing to help, however. It would be far better to arrange for your support, now that Mr. DeCamp has dropped out, than to provide first for a new worker who does not have the ~~experience~~ of the experience, which you have. I also have faith with you as to the

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provision for your support. So far as the present payments are concerned, they will, of course, go on, even if they have to be met out of the general treasury, but we ought in justice to see that this need is first met.

Very cordially yours,

*Robertson*

Thank you very much for your note about the bill. It is, I hope, making headway though it is a bit slow. I feel sure that you will be interested in it.





Miss Grace W. Miller,

My dear Miss Miller:

Your good letters of May 26th and June 22nd have both been received and I am glad to know of your plans for the future and trust that in these as in all things you may be unworingly guided from above.

I am glad to hear that you will be in charge of the work at the college and that you will have a comfortable home there, and I know is even more on your heart that you may have a great and fruitful work among the women and girls.

With reference to Miss Reberish I have had correspondence with both Miss Scott and Miss Giles. Miss Scott writes in some Miss Reberish's support is not otherwise secured, you had told her that you would support her and Miss Scott and self has generously proposed to meet the travelling expenses. When I went to ask Miss Giles, however, if she would be set against me, she said that I had letters from you, one of which had just come, in which while mentioning Miss Reberish you said nothing about your undertaking her support, Miss Scott wrote that perhaps it would be better before acting in the matter finally to consult with you.

I believe that you wrote to Mr. Coleman on the subject and when he was here at my house last week he spoke to me of you and asked me to support her, but said nothing of his being ready to support Miss Reberish. Furthermore, as I have written to both Miss Scott and Miss Giles, I had much rather have Mr. Coleman undertake the support of Miss Giles. Mr. Coleman has also supported her for some years, but he will not be able to continue her support further. So there is no provision for Miss Giles. We know what superior qualities she has and it is the duty of all to secure her support.

With my kindest regards and love, you receive yourself my reply from Mr. Coleman to your letter of the 24th and I am sure that you will be satisfied with the result.

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I hope that you and your mother are both very well and that you are already beginning to see fruitage from the work around Kasegaon.

I hear from Robert now and then and rejoice in all the splendid work which he is doing. ... used his life in the past years and is continuing to use it.

With warmest regards,

Your sincere friend,

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August 9, 1966.

Mr. Alan S. Wilson,  
 21 Elizabeth Street,  
 Ossining, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Wilson:

I was very sorry to miss seeing you when you called the other day, but for the last two weeks it has not been possible for me to venture out of call of my home. Twice I went to New York and each time was recalled immediately by telephone, once before even I had reached the office. On Monday our little one finished her long struggle and ever since I have been thinking of her in connection with the dear old hymn, "Around the throne of God in heaven thousands of children stand." I am very grateful for your loving sympathy and prayer.

I do not know whether I shall see you again before you leave, as I am going to try to get Mrs. Spear and the other children away next week for a little rest but I wish you and Mrs. Wilson a delightful voyage back and God's richest blessing on you in all your work.

Very affectionately yours,

Dictated by Mr. Spear but on account of pressure of work was not transcribed until after he had gone on his vacation.

September 18, 1908.

Miss Alice L. Giles,

Care of Miss Evelyn Hall,

East Northfield, Mass.

My dear Miss Giles:

Your note from camp enclosing Miss Wilder's letter of August 17th was received yesterday. I brought up at the Board meeting the matter of Miss Reben-tische's appointment and Mr. Wilder's offer of support and it was voted

(1) Heartily to accept Mr. Wilder's offer to support Miss Reben-tische and to send her out to the Settlement on condition that her traveling expenses are provided and that arrangement can be made through Dr. Dana for your support.

(2) That in case such arrangements cannot be made, the Board feels that it would be far better for Mr. Wilder's contribution to be applied, if he consents, to your support rather than to Miss Reben-tische's.

(3) And in my effort to provide you with the regular missionary board allowance at the rate of \$500 a year.

I am writing to Mr. Wilder and shall write to Miss Wilder also and, of course, to Dr. Dana.

Dr. Halsey has asked me to answer your inquiry of criticism of Mr. Wiley's account of the Ratnagiri Revival. I do not know whether the criticism was published or not. It was written by Dr. Edward S. Merrins, whose address is 29 William Street, East Orange, N.J. I did not keep a copy of the criticism which he sent to us to read and which he may have finally decided not to publish.

I hope that you feel really benefitted by your stay at the camp and with kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,



September 18, 1906.

Miss Grace M. Wilder,  
Kohlapur, India.

My dear Miss Wilder:

Your good notes of August 3rd and 17th have both been received and shown to Miss Giles. I am glad that you have got a satisfactory piece of land in a satisfactory centre and trust God's evident approval may rest on your special work.

You will have received before this my letter with reference to Miss Giles and Miss Rebenische. Robert has cabled that he is willing to have the amount he has been giving for Miss Schurman applied to Miss Rebenische and I have just written him in reply and enclose a copy of my letter. If we can get Miss Giles' salary provided and the travel of Miss Rebenische, everything will be substantially settled, but if we cannot get Miss Giles' salary, surely it will be wiser to have Robert take her than to send out Miss Rebenische and keep Miss Giles' at home.

For the present we are having to provide Miss Giles' home allowance out of the regular funds already inadequate for the assumed obligations; and, of course, this was one of the things that we agreed should not be done when the Settlement was inaugurated. I would say also that Miss Giles finds that the Settlement's allowance while at home here utterly inadequate and that we are providing her home allowance on the same basis as is provided for other missionaries, namely, at the rate of \$500 per annum.

I have not heard from Miss Scott as to any certain provision for the traveling expenses of Miss Rebenische in case we get Miss Giles' support arranged.

I am sending both your letter to Dr. Atterbury as you desired.

With kind regards to your mother and yourself.

Your sincere friend,

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Dr. W. J. Wanless,

Miraj, India.

My dear Dr. Wanless:

I wrote to you at once on receipt of the cablegram telling us of your immeasurable sorrow. In due time your good letters of August 3rd and 15th were received, one written before and the other after your great loss. Our hearts are very tender in their thought of you and your dear Ethel and we pray that God may have sustained you both when you talked over your sorrow and that He may be richly sustaining and strengthening you now. Mysteries like these are beyond all understanding of ours. We can only lovingly accept the great ways of God which we cannot understand. It is not hard for us to do this after the years of our discipline. I remember something that Dr. Curtis, of Bloomfield, told me once regarding his uncle, Dr. Labaree of Persia. Dr. Labaree's life had been very full of loss and sorrow and after one of his deepest experiences Dr. Curtis said to him, "Uncle Ben, I do not see how you are able to endure these things." "Oh, George," was Dr. Labaree's reply, "I have trusted God so long that I just cannot do anything else and the most natural thing in the world is just to go right on trusting Him." How thankful we ought to be to God that He can thus educate us by His grace so that however hard the path over which He bids us travel or however bitter the cup He bids us drink we can obey not grudgingly nor in mere resignation, but in rejoicing because His will must be better than our wills and His way for us wiser and more loving than our way for ourselves.

I earnestly pray that our Lord Jesus Christ who has given you the privilege of giving up so much for Him may be exercising His own privilege now of pouring out into your life the fulness of His divine peace and love.

Of course the moment the cablegram was received I reported it to Dr.



Miller and your father. On receiving your letter about your sister I wanted to hear from her and received a letter from her last Saturday, just after hearing from Dr. Miller. Dr. Miller wrote that he would at once set about arranging the financial side. Your sister thought that she was not prepared as yet to give a decision. She was in doubt as to whether she ought to go out to you or to stay with your parents. She asks some questions about health and other points and I wrote immediately in reply and also wrote to Dr. Miller. We have no answer as yet from your sister. I have to go away this week to be gone five weeks among the Synods in the far West, but I shall leave word that if everything is arranged for your sister to go out a cablegram should be sent to you, as you desire.

Our hearts go out to the Marshalls in their sorrow over the loss of their little one! I have written, of course, to them expressing our deepest sympathy. I am sorry that there has been so much other illness and I do hope that Miss Sybil Brown and Dr. Irwin and Mr. Richardson may all improve. Miss Johnson I gather from her letters is quite well now.

Thank you very much for what you write regarding the property difficulties. We shall be glad to hear further news. The meeting of the Synod of the West which you wrote on August 3rd will be held in a few days.

I shall be glad to get your comments on the physical features of the Revival. We have received a pretty severe letter recently from a doctor in Orange condemning this manifestation. I have a good notion to quote to him what you write.

Our hearts go out to Mrs. Jolly and her children in their great sorrow and loss, although one cannot but rejoice that Mr. Jolly is beyond all suffering and pain now.

You will sorrow with us in our sorrow when I tell you that the little girl of whom I wrote to you in one of my last letters who had her victorious wrestle with the tea-table is employed now in such work as is given little children to do in that land where the servants of the King look upon the King's face as

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September 29, 1936.

Miss Alice Giles,

C/o Mrs. C. deP. Field,

Fieldstone, Peekskill, N.Y.

My Dear Miss Giles:

I have just received the enclosed letter from Dr. Dana. Will you please return it after you have read it? I expect to be in his church some time this fall and perhaps something more may have developed by that time.

Very cordially yours,

Richard W. Higgins



October 3, 1906.

The Rev. L. D. Tedford,  
 Maryville, Tennessee.

My dear Mr. Tedford:

I have delayed answering your letter of September 21st until it could be  
 read to the Board. I read it with great reluctance and have been received  
 nor how keenly we regret the necessity under which you and Mrs. Tedford find your-  
 selves of leaving the West for a definite time the land of our birth. Your  
 letter was laid before the Board and the following resolution was adopted:

"That the resignation of the Rev. L. D. Tedford and Mrs. Tedford of the West  
 India Mission, in view of their inability at the present time to return to India,  
 be sympathetically accepted, with the understanding that the Board's sympathy with Mr.  
 and Mrs. Tedford and its hope that they may some time be able to return to the work."

With warmest regards to Mrs. Tedford and yourself and trusting that the  
 shadow of the past year may be wholly lifted and that God may open the way for  
 your return, I am,

Your sincere friend,

Robert E. Sperry





November 20, 1906.

Miss Alice Giles,  
4240 Regent Street,  
Philadelphia.

My dear Miss Giles:

Your note of the 17th returning Dr. Dana's letter has been received. The Board already took action sometime ago getting at your disposal the regular home allowance. The exact Minute of the Board is as follows:

"It was voted further that Miss Giles should be provided the home allowance of \$20.00 per month from the Treasury of the Board, to be paid quarterly, and that the same be so certified."

With reference to special sums that have come in I would say that we have not yet got the money from the other day brought in a gift sometime ago the other day brought in \$20.00 for you, and he tells me that while they cannot make any pledges he has hope that perhaps his people will be able to do all that needs to be done beyond that which the Carters have promised.

I hope that you are getting steadily stronger and with kind regards from Mrs. Snee and myself, I am,

Your sincere friend,

*The Carters have given you \$100 for you*

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Nov. 27, 1906.

Miss Alice L. Giles,  
4240 Regent Sq.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Miss Giles:-

Your card of yesterday is just received. I was in Philadelphia speaking last night at a meeting of the Presbyterian Union. I do not know what time Saturday I shall come over, but I fear not until late Saturday evening. I shall spend that night with Mr. G. G. Trumbull, 4103 Locust St., and shall take dinner with Dr. Dana after church on Sunday. I should think that there would be ample time between church and dinner for a little talk.

Very cordially yours,



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November 22, 1906.

To the Members of the Western India Mission:

My dear Friends:

But for prolonged absence from New York I should have written earlier to inform the Mission of the appointment of Miss Mathilde C. Rebentisch as a member of the Village Settlement to fill one of the places made vacant. I was on the Pacific Coast for all the month of October with Synods and conventions there and learned on returning that special funds had been provided exclusively for the purposes of Miss Rebentisch's traveling expenses and support and that she had been appointed and was to sail on December 12th from New York and December 24th from England. Miss Rebentisch is a graduate of Northfield Seminary and of the City Mission Training School in New York and is a very devoted and earnest young woman. Miss Giles has been deeply interested in her appointment. You will be glad to know that Miss Giles is very much better than when she came, although she is still not entirely well.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall arrived on October 20th. Their little boy gained steadily and was almost entirely well when they arrived. They have gone to Nebraska, from where I think they intend to proceed to California, Mrs. Marshall's home. Mr. Hannum has written of the circulation of the Mission action approving of their return. The action itself has not yet come to hand.

Bishop Olden of the Methodist Church has raised the question of our joining with them in a union Christian College at Belgern. The Rev. S. L. Joshi, whom some of you may know, a Hindu Christian who was from Western India, although he taught for some years in connection with our Mission in the Punjab, has been approached by Bishop Olden with a view to the possibility of his going out to the headship of such an institution. I know Mr. Joshi quite well. He has been studying here in New York in Columbia University and Union Seminary. His brother is taking a medical course. I admire the sacrifices and manliness with which they have met and overcome very great

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discouragements. I have talked with Mr. Joshi over this scheme and told him that we were in no shape to undertake any financial responsibility and while, of course, heartily sympathetic with all propositions for a union effort we could not think of anything of this kind without knowing the mind of the Western India Mission. I told him that if we had been able to do financially we would have taken over the Belgorm work ourselves as the Mission desired to do. Mr. Joshi says that he understands from Bishop Olden that no money investment will be required, but that with the Government grant-in-aid the College could be made self-supporting. I suggested to him that he write to Bishop Olden asking him to consult with you and I told him that I would mention the matter in writing to you.

Mr. Kernan has written to me and Mrs. Kernan to her home and her letter has been forwarded to us regarding the dismal hygienic condition at Sangli due to the want of proper outbuildings for the boys and sergeants. The picture is a most distressing one. As we understand, the amount involved is only 300 rupees. Will it not be possible for the Mission within the limit of its appropriation to transfer that small sum in order to rectify such horrible conditions? I have written to Mrs. Kernan's grand-mother, who wrote appealingly to us, that the Board was doing all in its power, that it was giving to the Missions all that the churches give and that it left to each Mission to provide for those things which are of most importance.

Our hearts have gone out in keenest sympathy to Dr. Wanless and Ethel in their untold loss and also to Mr. and Mrs. Marshall in their deep sorrow. Dr. Wanless' sister has not felt able to go out to join him? In case she had gone, the Board would have been willing to continue his salary as that of a married man. In view of her failure to go and in the light of Dr. Wanless' statement of the case and on the basis of Paragraph 16 of the Manual, it has been voted to fix his salary for the present at \$770 a year!

You will be sorry to know that Mr. and Mrs. Tedford do not feel that they can return to India, at least at the present time, and have presented their resignations which have been regrettfully accepted by the Board with expressions of deepest sympathy with them.



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It will not be very long now before we are receiving the Minutes of the Mission meeting. I trust that it may have been a good meeting and that the blessing of God may be manifest in every Station of the Mission.

There are many personal letters which I hope to be able to answer soon and for which I am very grateful.

I hope that all the members of the Mission are well now, that Miss Sybel Brown has regained her health and that Mr. and Mrs. Wiley are both well. They seem to have had more than their share of sickness. I trust especially that all the little children in the Mission are well and happy.

With warm regards,

Your sincere friend,

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November 22, 1906.

The Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
Vengurle, India.

My dear Mr. Hannum:

I enclose a short letter to the Mission and with it I would acknowledge personally the receipt of your two letters of May 15th and your good letter of August 21st, also your note of September 21st to Mr. Day with reference to Mr. Marshall's return to America. I think further that I have never thanked you for the copy of the program of the Presbyterian Convention held in Kolhapur in May 1905 which I have had among the Western India Letters.

First, let me thank you for your comment on my talk with Mr. Goheen over the property problem. I have not heard anything from Mr. Day recently and assume that there have been no late developments.

With reference to the making out of estimates I still think that it would be impossible to carry through the Board a proposal to lump the estimates more until there can be in each Mission more efficient administration. I do not know how this is to be brought about. The Board's proposition of two years ago to enlarge the powers of the Executive Committees did not meet the approval of the Mission. I do not think that efficiency would be greater by leaving things more to the individualistic policy. At the same time I am sure the Board would be glad to transfer as much of its responsibility as possible to the Missions if only they were certain that it would be taken up there and not allowed by default to go unexercised.

I am making careful note of all that comes from the India Missions regarding a shorter term of service and a shorter furlough and I am hopeful that



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the whole question can be taken up and worked out in such way as will be at least to the satisfaction of a large majority of the missionaries.

I hope that your children are all well now. Did Margaret and Dorothy entirely from the effects of the operations on their throats last spring?

I spent all of October on the Pacific Coast in connection with Synods and conventions there. Being away so much plays havoc with one's correspondence and I am now way behind, but I was glad to the privilege of going. There were crowded meetings everywhere. The last day we had four meetings and between 6000 and 7000 people attended those four meetings. I do not think that it can be said that the people are not willing to come and listen to the presentation of foreign missions. On week nights as well as on Sundays the churches were packed. I think that there were only two or three cases where we did not have every seat filled and people standing and two of these were on unfavorable week nights and under unpropitious circumstances and even then in each case the audiences were extraordinarily good. I believe that this is the experience that all those who are going about have all over the country. People are willing to listen. They are willing to assent to the principles and I believe that they are giving more than ever before, but one difficulty is that the large body of givers are not the people who are sharing in the great increase of wealth while they do have to bear the burden of the great increase of expenses in living. I hope that the Living Spirit who is always ready to guide the Church and to help her adapt herself to new conditions as they arise will enable the Church perceive what needs to be done in order to attach the increase of power of the home land to the increase of opportunities of the mission fields.

I enclose herewith a copy of a little address delivered at Boston last winter which may be of interest to you.

I hope that you and Mrs. Hammun are both well. With warm regards, I am,

Your sincere friend,

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November 22, 1906.

Miss Bertha G. Johnson,

Kolhapur, India.

My dear Miss Johnson:

I do not believe that there is anyone with whom I have been more remiss in correspondence than with you. I see that I have your letters of September 6th and November 20th, 1905, and February 12th, August 21st and October 16th of the current year which I have not answered. The first was written when you were about to have your operation for appendicitis and the second after it was over and you were back at work again. This letter of November 20th was most entertaining with its pictures of the work. I wish that you could find time to write at least once every six months such a letter, as we can readily make use of such good material in the papers.

Your letter of February 12th with reference to Miss Gertrude Black came in March. I wrote to her but have never heard anything further.

Thank you very much for the good letter of August 21st telling about all the sick folk in the Mission and now last of all I must thank you for your very kind note of October 16th with its message of sympathy to us. We are better able now to sympathize with the many little family circles around the world which have passed through the same experience. I understand better what it was that Mr. and Mrs. Marshall had to endure. It seems to me that in these experiences as indeed in all the maturing experiences of our lives the best and indeed the only thing that we can do is to fall back more trustfully upon the absolute authority of Christ. We cannot pierce the mystery of suffering. What can we do but remember that the Divine Man suffered? If the love of God ought to exempt human life from suffering then the life of Christ preeminently should have been exempted. The mystery of suffering there is so infinitely greater than the mystery of our suffering



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that we should lay aside any perplexity with reference to the less before the fact of the greater. And it is not only in our personal experiences that we learn increasingly to fall back restfully on the experience of Christ as authoritative. In all our judgments especially our judgments as to what it is best worth doing and how we should set about doing it, we can do no better than to simply rest on what we find in Christ. Of course, we have to accept His authority on rational grounds, but when we have once accepted it when we come to the bounds to what we can reason out it is a comfort to feel that we can be satisfied without an explanation because He bore or He did so and so.

I hope that you are entirely well now and that you may continue well and that every year in India may be a happier and more fruitful year.

With kind regards,

Your sincere friend,

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Mrs. Alexander W. Marshall,  
McCool, Nebraska.

My dear Mrs. Marshall:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which  
has been received by us and which Mr. Speer suggested  
that I forward to you to see if it was intended for  
you. If it is not for you, will you kindly return  
it?

Sincerely yours,

*James Marshall*





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The Rev. J. M. Goheen,

Wooster, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Goheen,

I am sending herewith a copy of a letter which Mr. Spear is just sending to the Western India Mission. After you have read it, will you kindly send it on to the Rev. Alexander W. Marshall, McCool, Nebraska?

Very sincerely yours,

(Min) Mabel J. Everett

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Miss Grace E. Wilder,  
Islampur, Satara District,  
Western India.

My dear Miss Wilder:

There would be a great deal to write to you about if Miss Giles were not already writing informing you fully of everything. First of all, with reference to Miss Rebentisch, whom you will have welcomed before this letter reaches you and who I trust will not be discouraged by the uncertainty which she may find in the Mission as to the status of the Settlement. I trust that she may prove a thoroughly effective worker. Our understanding is that her support is covered by your brother Robert's contribution. This leaves Miss Giles unprovided for in any permanent way, but we are hoping that sometime before the year is over provision may be made for her also.

With reference to the relation of the Settlement to the Mission and the action taken by the Mission at its Annual Meeting, perhaps I need not say much more than is stated in the letter which goes to the Mission by this mail and a copy of which I enclose herewith. I have had long talks with Miss Giles over the matter and have told her that I did not see that you would lose much by simply separating from the Mission altogether. Such relations between you and the Mission thenceforth could exist as would obtain between two separate divisions of our Church occupying adjoining fields. Surely such a division would be better than constant misunderstandings and dissatisfactions and heart-burnings and I do not see what the Settlement would really lose by it.

Miss Giles has told me of your letters to her with reference to calling advice to you either to proceed or to stop on the building. At first I thought that we would cable to you telling you to stop and then I decided that we would not send any message from the Board as you had not written directly to us on the subject and I thought that we might assume in view of the Mission's action and on the absence of any word from



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here authorizing you to go ahead, you would understand the only wise thing to do would be to wait until you get matters adjusted with the Mission. I told Miss Giles that if the Board now decided to separate the Settlement from the Mission I should be in favor of our cabling to you to go ahead with the building at once, but in view of the fact that both you and she were opposed to this separation, of course the Board could not override in the present situation the action of the Mission and could only refer back to you and the Mission with power the question of immediate building. So long as you are a member of the Mission you must be amenable to the Mission. And that is one of the elements of difficulty which it seems to me would be avoided by your separation. As it is now, you have difficulties with the Mission and appeal from the Mission to the Board. What is the objection to your separating from the Mission?

I thought at first of saying all this in the letter to the Mission, then it seemed to me to be much better to express no opinion, but to incorporate Miss Giles' statement. The question will come up, however, again when we hear further from the Mission and Miss Giles has not convinced me that your separation is impracticable or that it would be injurious to you.

I enclose herewith a Money Order for \$10.00 for you from Miss Anna C. Hutchinson.

The various cards and letters from you which I have received since writing to you last bear date of August 27th, October 5th, 16th and 21st, and November 1st and 15th. I received also the Bungalow plan which accompanied the card of October 5th.

I will have a copy made of your annual report and sent to Dr. Atterbury.

I hope that the difficulties with the Mission may soon be all relieved either by a happy internal adjustment or by some permanent arrangement that will allow the Settlement and the Mission to go each its own way in the future.

Miss Giles is taking up with Mr. Knotbeck an interesting proposal of Mr. Knotbeck's regarding some more workers. I hope that something helpful may develop from this.

I trust that you and your mother are both well and that your minds and hearts



are always kept in quietness and peace.

With kind regards to you both,

Your sincere friend,

December 19, 1906.

To the Members of the Western India Mission:

My dear Friends:

The Minutes of the Mission Meeting were received last week. The first meeting of the Board since they were received was held on Monday of this week and they were laid before the Board and I think all the actions calling for the immediate attention of the Board were considered. I am glad that it was such a profitable meeting and I wish that I might have been present especially at the devotional service and conference on Saturday October 20th on the subject of the Relation of Missionaries to the Church. This question on the administrative side is a very real one now in Brazil and Japan and China. In Brazil the Independent Presbyterian Synod has split in two, ostensibly on the issue of free masonry but many hold that the real issue has been the question of missionary control and that the section which has broken off from the church has really done so as a protest against what it claims to have been missionary predominance. In Japan you know the advance stage to which the question has come. A large part of the time of the last meeting of the Synod of the Church of Christ in Japan was taken up with the question of co-operation, with the result that all the evangelistic work of the Mission will henceforth be supervised by joint committees of missions and presbyteries under the general administration of the Board of Missions of the Church of Christ. The Synod stood firmly for the position that it had a right to a voice in all evangelistic work done within its bounds and it was evident that it understood by "voice" a general supervisory care. In China where the Presbyterian church is now independent of the home churches the same question of missionary relations has arisen and as the stronger element of the Chinese nation comes into the church the question of real autonomy and relationship to foreign missionary agencies will become pressing there. I suppose that you would be glad if only there were the spirit of independence and readiness to take responsibility and to attain self-support in the church in India. I hope that the day will not be far distant when



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the spirit of life in the church will make it possible for it to break away from the bad atmosphere and traditions which have grown out of the political situation of the people in their dependence upon the British Government and when the increase of the number of self-supporting Christians will furnish a base for the development of self-supporting churches.

Our hearts feel deeply with you in the loss sustained in the death of Mr. Jolly and Mr. Wanless and we have sent directly to Dr. Wanless our deepest expressions of sympathy and have corresponded at length with Mrs. Jolly. With reference to Mrs. Jolly I would say that, of course, under the Manual the allowance for her children will continue until each child passes the age of eighteen. This provides at present an annual sum of \$300. No family receiving that amount the Board of Ministerial Relief is debarred by its rules from giving aid, so that Mrs. Jolly has her choice for the present between \$300 a year indefinitely from the Board of Ministerial Relief or \$500 from the Board of Foreign Missions, the amount diminishing as the children come to eighteen. I have advised her, accordingly, to take the latter for the present and as soon as the provision from our Board falls below \$300 to apply to the Board of Ministerial Relief. The form of application in her case has perplexed Dr. Agnew somewhat. Their rules require presbyterial approval. The approval of the Mission is not sufficient and it must be a presbytery of our own Church and in the case of a lay minister missionary the presbytery within whose bounds he or she resides. These technical difficulties, however, can be overcome. The Board of Ministerial Relief is very fair in all such matters. In addition to what it is providing for children, whenever the Board has granted Mrs. Jolly's case allowance for the end of the year and also refunded \$200 to her of the sum that she and Mr. Jolly had gone out to India without drawing any outfit allowance.

In taking up in order the reports of the Mission's financial condition the Board's attention is drawn to the fact that the Board, of course, has made all the arrangements made by the Mission with the Bureau Bible and Church Union with reference to the generous loan by the latter to the Western India Mission of the services



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**of Miss Unsworth and Miss Thompson.**

The Board also approved of the Mission's recommendation of the return of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall to America. They have arrived safely with their little child, I rejoice to say, greatly improved, if not entirely well.

The request of the Mission for a special appropriation of 1250 Rupees for Dr. and Mrs. Irwin's journey to Australia will be taken up as soon as the letter from the Treasurer of the Mission is received. I trust that the Board may have no difficulty in making this appropriation. The return of Dr. and Mrs. Irwin to America, as requested by the Mission, has also been approved in case it is found to be necessary.

Careful attention has been given to the communication of the Mission with reference to any further changes in the Manual. From time to time in the past this matter has been before the Board and was some years ago very carefully considered on the basis of representations from the North India Mission. At the meeting of the Board on Monday it was voted to bring to the attention of the Mission the long consideration which this whole question has received in the past. I cannot do better in doing this than to quote at length from a letter written to the North India Mission last year, whose representations I think were satisfactory to the Mission.

The letter, signed by Mr. Henry Forman and Dr. Ewing, in behalf of the Mission dealing with several questions of great importance, has been carefully considered. With reference to the first question, as to changes in the Manual, I would say in reply that five or six years ago, the question of the character of the Manual was carefully considered and the propriety of the Board's making any changes in it without consulting the Missions has been several times under consideration during the last fifteen years. Dr. Nevius of China introduced in the General Assembly of 1891 a resolution on the subject which was referred by the General Assembly to the Board. The Board referred it to a committee, which presented the following report, which was adopted by the Board on December 7th, 1891.

The following resolution introduced to the General Assembly in May 1891, by the Rev. J. L. Nevius, D.D., of the Shanghai Presbytery, was referred by the Assembly upon recommendation of the Standing Committee, to the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Board referred to the undersigned for report after conference with the Council:

That all rules proposed by the Board of Foreign Missions for the direction and control of the missionaries of our Church, be first submitted to the missionaries in the different fields for suggestion, and reported to the General Assembly, together with the other business proceedings of the Board.

Your Committee held a meeting October 5th, 1891, at which the author of the resolution presented to the Assembly, the Rev. Dr. Nevius, was present by invitation.

In a carefully drawn paper, to which reference is made, Dr. Nevius, for himself and others, presented several objections to the matter and manner of the



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Manual last issued by the Board, also the reasons which led him to offer his resolution in the General Assembly.

"The interview with Dr. Nevius was free, candid and cordial.

"A subsequent meeting in conjunction with the Council was held November 2, 1891, at which inquiries were made as to the character and extent of similar objections reaching the office through the regular correspondence.

"As a result of these inquiries and examinations, your Committee are of the opinion that the alleged grievances are susceptible of an easy adjustment by frank and friendly communication with the Executive Officers, and the concurrent action of the Board.

"Neither this Board nor its Executive Officers have any wish or purpose to burden our missionaries unnecessarily, but the operations of the Board have attained such magnitude as to demand for its proper control a working code, general in its scope, simple in form, as moderate as the circumstances will allow in its demands upon the time of the missionaries, and easy of adaptation to the widely differing circumstances of the various nationalities and individualities with which we have to deal.

"If, in the administration of the Board's affairs, all rules proposed by the Board are first to be submitted to the missionaries in the different mission fields for suggestion, every change of rules will require a special correspondence, not with twenty or thirty missions, but with three hundred or more missionaries, bringing a harvest of 'suggestions', and occasioning unreasonable delay.

"In reply to the above resolution, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following Minute:

"With regard to the first section of the resolution, while it would not seem always practicable that new rules should be submitted to the missions before adoption, yet in the case of any amendment to the Manual, introducing radical changes in the internal administration of the missions, themselves, the Board recognizes the propriety of consulting the missions before final action.

"As to the second section, the entire Minutes of the Board, including all its rules/ being now subject to the review and approval of the Assembly, the object aimed at in the Resolution seems fully accomplished by the Assembly's present method.

"Certain points in the statement of Dr. Nevius above mentioned, were referred to the same Committee and the Council.

This action of the Board was approved in connection with its Minutes by the ensuing Assembly. Shortly after, it became evident that the Manual was in need of some revision and all the missions were asked to make suggestions. On the basis of these suggestions a revised edition of the Manual was prepared, which was submitted to and approved by the General Assembly. It did not seem that it would be wise to submit the Manual to a vote of the Missions or the missionaries, the revision representing an effort to combine the best suggestions from all the missions, although on many points different missions held divergent views. It seemed sufficient to submit the Manual to the Assembly. This was all the Shanghai Mission, in forwarding its suggestions to the Board, asked; namely, that the Manual should receive the approval of the Assembly before being finally accepted as an authority on the matters with which it treated. Some time after this, the question arose in the Board itself as to how far any provision of the Manual constituted a contract between the Board and individual missionaries, and the question was referred to a special committee, of which the local adviser of the Board was a member, and after long consideration, the following report was presented and adopted:

The Special Committee on Manual Contract and Board's Charter presented the following report, which was adopted. Your Committee to which was referred the communication of the Rev. William Henry Roberts, D.D., Secretary of the committee appointed by the last General Assembly, upon the character of the Board, dated January 10, 1895, inquiring "Is there in anything in the constitution or charter of the Board of Foreign Missions, which seems to be in violation or encroachment upon the full legal right to the Assembly, of approval or disapproval



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of the original appointment of salaried Executive Officers' and to which also was referred for consideration the question, whether or not the Manual of this Board in any respect constitutes a Contract between the Board and the Missionaries holding appointments under the Board' beg leave to report, ..... Second. As to whether or not the Manual of the Board in any respect constitutes a contract between the Board and its missionaries. Your Committee is of the opinion that the Manual has always been regarded, and properly so, as a general Code of rules and principles, provided and declared by the Board for the administration of the work and the direction of those engaged in it, and that neither by the General Assembly, nor by the Board, nor by the Missions, has it been considered or treated as a Contract or as involving a contract. Your Committee is also of the opinion that the relations between the Board and the missionaries should not be of a contractual character, as those existing between employer and employed, but should rather be those of sympathetic co-operation of men and women enlisted in a common work, with due recognition of necessary differentiation of sphere and responsibility. Your Committee, while holding the opinion just expressed, is nevertheless inclined to the opinion that the language of the present Manual, in a few paragraphs, may fairly be construed as constituting a contract between the Board and the missionaries; and in view of the fact that a general revision of the Manual seems to be desirable in order to incorporate in it the changes which have been made since its adoption, your Committee recommends that the Manual be revised; that all paragraphs that are capable of misconstruction be amended, and that a paragraph be added to the effect, that the Board reserves the right from time to time, to modify any or all of its provisions, as the developing of the work and its changing requirements, as well as the changing circumstances of the Board, financial and otherwise, may render necessary.'

'I remember that a proposition was made once to divide the Manual into two sections, one section of which should be regarded in the nature of a Contract and the other in the nature of distinctive regulations, subject to change by the Board. The idea was abandoned, however, partly because it was difficult to draw any such line and partly because as a matter of fact, none of the provisions of the Manual had been regarded as contractual or capable of that construction. Some of them can be so interpreted, so far as the Board is concerned, but not so far as the individual missionary is concerned; and I think I have never heard any individual missionary taking the view that he was entering into a contract with the Board, in which the Manual defined the terms which were to be offered to by each party. I think the Board, on its side, has striven, however, not to change any regulations in the Manual which might look like covenanting obligations. Thus the matter of children's allowance, for example. In limiting them to £10, the Board specifically stated that this rule was only to apply to missionaries appointed on regulations' since 1901. In the same way, in fixing the single men's allowance, it was the allowance of single men, appointed after a certain date, save those others, but as in the case of the children's allowance, might naturally be so interpreted. So far as all missionaries appointed since 1900 are concerned, they have signed the following acknowledgment of the receipt of the Manual:

'I do hereby acknowledge the receipt of a copy of the Board's Manual, giving the rules and regulations which govern the missionaries in their work and in their relations to the Board. I have carefully read it and I promise compliance with its provisions, believing that I can later cheerfully and happily under the direction of the Board, and in conformity with the system which it finds necessary in order to maintain its extensive and intricate work.

'I understand however, that this Manual is neither a contract nor a final expression of the Board's principles and rules, but that it is subject to such amendments as the Board may, from time to time, deem to be for the best interests of the cause.'

'Doubtless, it will suffice as a reply to the Mission's inquiry, to say that the general principles involved are set forth in the Board's actions, which I have quoted and that the Board cordially shares the view that the work is to be a cooperative work, which should



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that the Board originally shared the view that the work is at present in such a state that it should be carried on, within just limits involved in the appointment of the responsibility, by means of the associate judgment of those engaged in it."

Some time was given to a discussion of points in the Auditing Committee's Report from which it appeared that there had been an excess of expenditure over the total appropriation plus receipts of 4579 Rupees and a total expenditure plus actual receipts of 2941 Rupees. We have been crediting the Mission with all unused balance in Classes IV and VII. The Mission accounts still show an over expenditure of 2038 Rupees. If each Mission's accounts should be closed in the same way, there would be an over expenditure in the Missions of between \$15,000 and \$20,000 due to expenditures beyond the appropriations here at home. Meanwhile the churches do not give enough to cover the appropriations so that the Board deficit would be not alone the excess of disbursements over the churches' gifts but this amount plus the unauthorized expenditures of the Missions over their appropriations. The result, as you can see, would seem to be financial disaster. No action was taken at the time as the matter will come up again in connection with the Report of the Treasurer and the adjustment of accounts.

How is the immense sum of 27,769 Rupees held at Madras in the orphanage accounts balance invested? Where did that money come from and on what specific terms is it held? With reference to the term of service in the Konkani the Board took the following action:

"The Board approved of the proposition of the Western India Mission that the Konkani section of the Mission be placed on the same basis as to term of service and furlough, with the East, Java and Philippine Missions, with the understanding that if on further consideration of all that is involved, the Western India Mission still feels that such an arrangement would be desirable."

In placing the Konkani on the same basis as to term of service with the East and the Philippine Missions, it was felt that it was only just to place it on the same basis with reference to furlough. In these three fields the term of service is one year and the furlough is twelve months plus the time consumed in travel. The Board understands that the Western India Mission desires the provisions that apply in the case of these Missions to apply in the case of the Konkani and to treat all similarly accounts. I think that it is generally agreed among the Missions that at least an absence from India as is now involved at the end of eight years is injurious to the work and I



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think that it is partly the strong feeling of some members of the northern Mission as this point that leads them to urge the plan of six months furlough at the end of five years. We have not yet received the Minutes of the Punjab and North India Mission for this year and I do not know whether they took up the question or not. The six months furlough does not commend itself to all on the ground that it would mean either the winter or the summer in America. If the former, it would mean staying in India one hot season and getting back at the beginning of the next and making the transition to and from America from heat to cold and from cold back to heat. If the summer is chosen, it would mean missing the bracing weather at home and not knowing the exhilarative effects of winter weather. If the Mission still feels that the Southern ought to be on the same basis as Siam, Laos and the Philippine Islands, will you please see that when the Zenkan furloughs are due the estimates are made out on the supposition of six years' service and a twelve months' furlough?

The Board is cordially in favor of such union effort in higher educational work as the various plans of the Mission contemplate. I wrote to the Mission not long ago regarding Bishop Olden's proposal to Belgora and we shall await from the Mission further word from the Mission both as to Belgora and Jalna and Ahmednagar.

I am sorry that the report of the Committee on Secular Business with reference to the establishment of an Executive Committee failed. I notice that it had a two-thirds vote of the Mission, but fell short of the necessary three-fourths vote. I trust that the further thought on the matter and the experience of another year may convince enough members of the Mission of the desirability of some such measure as to secure its passage at the next Mission Meeting.

The Mission's reply to the Board's communication on the <sup>Missionary</sup> Distinct Responsibility of the Presbyterian Church is very clear and succinct. Some of the missions which have not taken up the matter of an adequate provision for the necessities of their field as carefully in the past as you have done have made much more elaborate replies and some of these are exceedingly strong. We are hoping that all the answers may be in ~~the~~ <sup>due</sup> time to enable the Board to make a strong and comprehensive representation to the General Assembly next spring.



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Miss Wilder has written and Miss Giles has several times been in to see us in great distress regarding the action of the Mission in the matter of the Village Settlement. Both Miss Giles and Miss Wilder urge that they have done their best to comply with the requirements of the Mission and have taken no step without consulting, as is required, the Station or the Property Committee. In view of their confident feeling that there has been a misunderstanding it seemed better not to take action in the direction of either two alternatives suggested by the Mission. The following is the Minute of the Board:

"In view of the fact that Miss Wilder of the Village Settlement was not present at the Western India Mission Meeting and that the members of the Settlement feel that there was some misunderstanding in the action of the Mission with reference to the question of the Settlement property at Islampur, it was voted to defer action until there could be further conference between the Mission and the Property Committee and Miss Wilder, and the question of deciding as to the immediate building of the Bungalow was referred to the Mission with power."

This was one of the cases as it seemed to the Board where an Executive Committee would be very useful, as the question could have been at once referred to it in conference with Miss Wilder. Miss Giles urges that the Settlement be allowed to stay within the friendly shelter and guidance of the Mission and <sup>that it is</sup> ~~is~~ most desirous of acting in accordance with the Mission's requirements. She has written out the following statement which I requested her to, so that I could incorporate it in this letter in view of the fact that she is absent from the field and cannot be present to speak for herself:

"The motion regarding the V.S. is certainly most unexpected, a thunder bolt out of a clear sky. I know how carefully Miss Wilder has tried to conform in every particular to Mission rules in this land and building matter. When I saw Mr. Marshall, a member of the Property Committee, a few weeks ago, he told me how sorry he was he had not been able, following Miss Wilder's repeated requests, to go out to Islampur, though he had tried to arrange it over and over again. Of course the serious illness of one member of the Committee himself, and illness and death in the families of the two other members were exceptional and hindering circumstances. I said to Mr. Marshall regarding the buying of the site which had become necessary and the beginning of building, 'You do not think there will be any trouble, do you?' and he answered, 'Oh no.'"

"In the motion four points are made and given as the cause for the suggestions at the close. I want to say a few words on each.

1. "Objection is made to the land and building being Miss Wilder's private property." I believe every piece of property in the Mission except one piece at Malcapur (which was bought by Mr. Graham as Attorney directly in the name of the Board) was in the first place bought in the name of an individual missionary, certainly nine tenths of all, and might as well have been objected to as 'private property'. Some ~~has~~ on account of land law difficulties in Native States, I believe, not yet been



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presented to the Board. Miss Wilder has, of course, all along desired, at the earliest moment possible, to transfer all to the name of the Board and now asks permission to do so.

2. "The view of the history of the Settlement," The only trouble we have in our history caused the Mission has been in the matter of 'Settling the Settlement', which will now be remedied by our at last having our own bungalow. I know that the Board has kindly appreciated the help the V. S. has given in the five out of ten six stations where its members have at various times been located.

3. "The fact that Islampur has been selected as the Settlement Station." This is not the case - several years ago, although as some recognized we were virtually a station without land as estimates and appropriations came separately, we were by a similar action constituted an out-station. By Mission rules, as was pointed out to me clearly by Mr. Harman (in a letter regarding Batis Shirala) we needed as an out-station simply action by the station concerned and their Property Committee. The necessary purchase was secured by Miss Wilder for Islampur from Kedoli Station.

4. "Land purchased and buildings begun without sanction from the Mission." As it clearly shows by Miss Wilder's letters she tried her best for over three months to get the Prop. Com. to see the site, and when longer delay would have been disastrous, received the advice from a member of the Com. (Dr. Wanless was the Chairman I think.) that the quickest way would be to buy the land in her own name first. This she did, only not carrying out a further suggestion that it be bought possibly conditionally which was impracticable.

"As to land and building transactions, through the exigencies of the case needing to be at times pushed ahead of Prop. Com's formal approval, for this also there is precedent in the Mission. I have listened to criticisms of individuals in Mission Meeting for this, but no one has been on this account separated from the Mission!

"I feel I need not mention difficulties in the way of dissolving the V. S. altogether; they are too numerous and serious; I will mention some, as they appear to me, in the way of separation from the Mission.

1. "Loneliness - we should feel this sadly.

2. "Housing difficulty till the bungalow is actually ready. If too long delays are not caused by the technical difficulties raised, it is true the bungalow should be ready before next rains, but we all know building matters are often much delayed, in India at least. As for the Mission has taken care that we have some place to live, could it not be insisted to at least wait about any separation till we have a roof over us?

3. "The present efficiency if the Boarding Schools be utilized for children of our site, and Christian people drawn on as helpers. While our work is mostly evangelistic, we recognize of course the value and necessity of schools, and all acknowledge it is our lot to multiply institutions and tie up missionaries more than can be helped. As an illustration of the use of Christian people - Miss Wilder had for some years been interested in a single Christian woman; with further training we have been giving her in Bible work, and is with us as a faithful worker. No one I am sure feels other than glad, we could not have done this if we stood as a separate Mission.

4. "Injustice to Miss Wilder, a member of the Mission who was not present nor able in any way to explain or to defend herself against the charges made nor to express her views on the proposed changes. In other cases I have known questions to be so stated that the one most affected could be notified and be present. It seems to me



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the grounds are altogether insufficient for expelling from the Mission the daughter of the founder of that Mission which she has been so faithfully and so long serving. It is so faithful and so long which she has been the means of bringing so much money and so many missionaries not only through the V. S. but also through the Z. B. K. A. Some may argue, 'this is not expulsion', under the circumstances it certainly looks so to me, and it does to others.

"At least I would urge that the child be not cast off until it is able to stand alone, and under a bungalow, please, rather than a mango tree, and I hope the Mission will yet, after conferring with Miss Wilder 'see its way clear' to pass the original motion proposed by Dr. Wankless for the Property Committee providing for any necessary formal sanction, unless they really prefer some other site to be substituted at once for us, which I doubt.

"Below this technical matter raised, I imagine lies the one of the V. S. plan itself which has just two features - evangelistic work and the smaller allowance. All recognize the need of infinitely more of the former and deplore the great lack of more of this in our field through insufficient number of workers. Let us, with the one thing we have been lacking to give us the promised 'fair trial' and have been patiently waiting for nearly eight years, - a house, let us go on quietly doing what we can to fill in this gap. As to the allowance, considering the debt on the Board, now as when the V. S. started, the sad lack of money for all forms of Mission work and the tremendous need for missionaries, with never a question of the propriety and necessity of others receiving more and while recognizing an element of kindness in this done by others that we should have the same, yet, if we feel able and willing to live on this, may we not be allowed to do so? Surely this cannot be displeasing to the Master.

"May you and all concerned be very definitely guided."

I am glad to learn from Mr. E. K. Wilson that he knows of a good man who may be available for the industrial work in Sangli. I trust that such a man may soon be found.

The following actions with reference to Karad and Vengurle are, I think, self-explanatory:

"The Western India Mission was authorized to acquire a piece of property at Karad with private funds that are available, with the understanding that the Board does not make itself responsible by this action for any enlargement of the appropriations to the Mission which the Mission may feel to be necessary in order to make proper use of Karad."

"The Board could not assent to the proposition of the Western India Mission that by its authorization of Vengurle Station, it obligated itself to increase the appropriations of the Western India Mission to the extent of 5,000 Rs. per annum. The Board's authorization was in response to the request of the Mission and still left the Mission free to open the Station or not as it deemed wise within the limits of the appropriations made by the Board. At the same time the board appreciated the difficulties with which the Mission has to deal but earnestly hopes that increased receipts may make it possible to enlarge the appropriations to all stations, including Western India."

What measures have been taken toward the opening of the two stations for which funds were provided from the Bryn Mawr Church?

I am giving Mr. Key a copy of the very clear report of the Property Com-



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affairs of the Mission. I hope that this unfortunate business may soon be justly and satisfactorily settled.

The action of the Mission in charging to the Board 350 Rs., the balance expenditure for the Mission meeting in 1905, omitted from last year's accounts by mistake, was noted. Was this an expenditure under the appropriations but omitted from the accounts, or was it an expenditure in excess of appropriations? Doubtless this will be explained in the Treasurer's report to the Treasurer of the Board.

Mr. Gohsen writes that he is very much better but he is not, of course, undertaking any speaking.

Mr. Wilson sent home with Mr. Gohsen a most interesting exhibit of wood and metal work made by the boys at the Sangli Industrial School. Many visitors to the Offices have looked at this exhibit with interest and it was laid out before the Board at a recent meeting.

The location of medical workers in the persons of Mr. and Mrs. Gohsen in Yerrale and in the person of Dr. Weston in Kolhapur is noted with great interest. The question naturally arises as to the desirability and practicability of providing the necessary plant for medical work in these places. It is not possible, however, to tell out any further. It seems to us that there are other necessities more urgent, such as additional appropriations for the native work both in Western India and in many other missions. I hope, however, that a good medical evangelistic work may be done in both of these fields by Mr. and Mrs. Gohsen and Dr. Weston.

I want to thank warmly and earnestly on behalf of Mrs. Speer and myself the many friends in the Mission who have written such loving letters of sympathy. I hope to answer all these personally and the many other most helpful letters from the Mission, but it will not be possible to do so by this mail.

The plan to move the High School to Kolhapur and the other educational developments of the Mission are of the deepest interest and I hope that the Mission may find it practicable to carry out in these and in other directions those measures which will bring lives into the Church, not only many but lives that will be strong



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December 28, 1906.

The Rev. J. H. Coheen,  
Pennsylvania Furnace, Penna.

My dear Mr. Coheen:

Your good letter of December 17th came several days ago and I enclose herewith our Treasurer's acknowledgment for your generous contribution toward the deficit. It came at just about the time that our Home Department Committee was considering the question of the deficit and what ought to be done immediately toward providing for it. I trust that the deficit may be cleared off and all the obligations met and that it may be possible to push forward next year in a real aggressive enlargement of the work.

I sympathize with your earnest feeling of the need of reinforcements in Western India. I wish that we could send half a dozen good strong men there at once, but almost all the Missions are agreed that the first need is not for new men from America, great as this need is, but for equipment for the missionaries now on the field or for enlarged appropriations for the native work.

With reference to the building up of a medical plant at Vengurle, I think that the Board would feel unable to take any action without some definite recommendation from the Mission and I think that there has been none looking in this direction. Dr. Weston, who has been transferred to Kolhapur, has written raising the same question as you raise regarding Vengurle, namely, as to whether the Board cannot provide or have provided an equipment for medical work there. I do not believe that the Board could do either of these things now. In the first place, great as these needs are, there are other needs even more pressing, and, in the second place, the assignments of another year may relocate your son and Dr. Weston, so that what plants might be provided at Vengurle and Kolhapur might then be unused.

I hope that Robert will make the year a year of medical evangelistic work with the emphasis on the evangelistic. This is the great need of the Mission and I



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am sure that he will be able to do a very useful and efficient work with his fine equipment and spirit at Venugurle.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which I have just sent to the Western India Mission.

With warm regards to Mrs. Coheen and yourself and trusting that you may continue to gain in strength and with best wishes for the New Year, I am,

Your sincere friend,

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December 28, 1906.

Miss Alice L. Giles,  
541 Lexington Avenue,  
New York City.

My dear Miss Giles:

Thank you very much for your postal card giving Miss Wilder's address.

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter to the Mission. Will you please send it after you have read it to the Rev. A. W. Marshall, McCool, Nebraska?

I think that I returned to you, did I not, Dr. Wanless' and Mr. Hansen's letters? I am very glad to learn from your letter of the 18th that Dr. Wanless' attitude at the Mission Meeting was not at variance as far as we can judge with the attitude taken in his letters to Miss Wilder.

I have not sent any cablegram to Miss Wilder. She said nothing about any cablegrams in her letters to me and I judge that probably your letters to her will reach her in ample time to prevent her incurring obligations that might involve any loss.

With best wishes for the New Year, I am,

Very cordially yours,



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December 29, 1906.

The Rev. E. K. Wilson,  
Sangli, India.

My dear Wilson:

Your good note of November 30th was received the day before Christmas and I have also some other letters of yours to answer. I am reminded that it has been many months since I wrote to you last. I have before me now your notes of April 2nd, July 13th, September 21st, November 24th, as well as your letter of November 30th.

The charge regarding which you ask in your letter of November 30th is, as you surmised, the charges on the box you sent by Mr. Cohen. On account of my absence from the city, which have been more this year than any year within my memory, I never got hold of the box and got it opened until last month after returning from a long trip to the Pacific Coast packed full of conventions, Synods and all sorts of meetings. The box has been opened and the things laid out in a very attractive exhibit. I took them all in to the Board meeting one afternoon and many visitors who come in are interested in them.

I am very much obliged for all your letters with their many helpful notes and suggestions. I am sorry that further information showed that Mr. Potter was not just the man you wanted for the industrial work, but I suppose that this reconciles you to the fact that he would not be available.

With reference to the need of men in the Mission I agree with you and wish that it were possible to send out some strong reinforcements, but beyond the industrial man to fill Mr. Jolly's place I do not know what the Board will feel able to do. There is such a tremendous pressure from all the missions now for increase of appropriations for native work in precedence to new missionaries. Contributions have been coming in pretty well so far however, and if a special effort which is now in contemplation for raising the deficits succeeds we ought to be able at the beginning of the new year to take some real advance steps. The first of these should be in the direction

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of increasing the number of missionaries for their native work. The next step would vary in different missions. In Korea it is felt that the chief need is for more men for the existing work. With our limited funds this is felt to be almost as great a need as the need for more men.

Is your feeling with reference to the revival manifestations still as doubtful as it was when you wrote to me last spring? Have these revivals shown definite and abiding fruit in better living? Have they sent the Christians out in a more earnest effort to reach others? Has the non-Christian community been impressed with the character and love and moral purity of Christian communities? One must not

In a world like ours I think that we must allow for many diversities. St. Paul did. He insisted on a certain amount of order and he insisted powerfully on the moral quality of spiritual zeal, but he handled things with a very good head and I have no doubt looked with much tolerance on many things that would disturb us.

I am working at home today in order to catch up with dismal arrears in my correspondence. I have not had time to answer your letter of July 15th referring to my letter of April 20, 1905, and I am not sure without a great deal more trouble than it would be worth either your side or mine to take what I can answer it now, but I will look the matter up somewhat when I get back to my office and if I find anything that would be really valuable to you to report in reply I shall add a postscript to this letter.

I want to thank you and Mrs. Wilson gratefully for your loving sympathy with Mrs. Spear and me in our loss. We are very grateful for all the affection and prayer which has poured in upon us and gone up for us from all over the world.

I have had to be away more this fall and winter than any previous year that I can recall. It has been hard on the work in the offices and it is hard to be away so constantly from home, but there has been the compensation of such time on railroad trains for quiet meditation and especially for the attempt to bring back more intimately and vividly the life and character of our Lord. I am grateful for the uninterrupted



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...the way in which one can reverently and powerfully practice with the imagination, as I think we were meant to do, as in the early history of our Savior. I have just chanced upon a passage in John Bunyan's "Grace Abounding", in which he speaks of the blessing which came to him from such meditation.

"But, oh! now, how was my soul led from truth to truth by God! Even from the Birth and Cradle of the Son of God to his Ascension and Second Coming from Heaven to judge the world."

"Truly, I then found, upon this account, the great God was very good unto me; for, being conversant, I was not anything that they I said to God to make known and reveal unto me, but he was pleased to do it for me; I mean not one part of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus, but I was ordering led into it. Well might I say with great evidence, that the relation of the four Evangelists, the wonderful work of God, in giving Jesus Christ to save me, from his Conception and Birth even to his Second Coming to judgment. Nothing I saw as if I had seen him born, as if I had seen him grow up, as if I had seen his walk through this World, from the Cradle to the Cross; to which, also, when he came, I saw how gently he gave himself to be hanged and nailed on it for my sins and the sins of the world. Also, as I was musing on this, his progress, that dropped on my spirit, He was ordained for the slaughter. (1 Pet. 1:19,20.)

...I was driven to a more narrow search of the Scripture, and was, through their light and testimony, not only enlightened, but greatly confirmed and comforted in the truth; and, as I said, the guilt of sin did help me much, for still as that would come upon me, the blood of Christ did take it off again, and again, and again, and that was, exactly, according to the Scriptures. O Friends! are ye led to know Jesus Christ and him that is none teacher like him.

"It would be too long, here to stay, to tell you in particular how God did set me down in all the things of Christ, and how he did, that he might so do, lead me into his works; yea, and also how he did open these scriptures, and make them shine before me, and cause them to dwell with me, talk with me, and comfort me ever and ever, both of his own Being, and the Being of his Son, and Spirit, and word, and Gospel."

If you have never read "Grace Abounding" I think that you would get much profit from it. In these days of absorption in work and over-pressure and consequent levity as a relief we are likely to miss, I think, the profit of such grave and sober meditation. Perhaps it is here where there is more surface activity the danger is less than with us here where everything is dealt with loosely. With all of us the graver experiences will come when the heart must go back of the surface snows to find the things that are real.

With best wishes for the New Year, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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 February 13th, 1907.

Miss Alice T. Giles,  
 1531 Sheridan Road,  
 Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Miss Giles:

I have received a letter from Miss Skilton with reference to your conference with her and Miss Gauthey in regard to their going out to the Settlement. I enclose herewith a copy of my letter to her. Until the question of the relationship of the Settlement to the Mission is definitely settled, I think the Board would not feel prepared to go forward and make any more appointments. If the Village Settlement is to be a part of the Mission, then we must have the judgment of the Mission with reference to the appointment of more workers for it. The Mission complains that it is held responsible for the Settlement and is compelled to sustain intimate relations with it, and yet it is not consulted by the Board with reference to the Settlement and that the internal affairs of the Settlement are not under the control of the Mission as the internal affairs of each Station are. I have received one letter expressing astonishment that Miss Potentisch should have been appointed and sent out when conditions were as they are and when the Mission is not given the men whom it so urgently needs.

Mrs. Borden, in her letter which I have just received, says that she is disposed to give \$100 each for the workers, but that she does not know how long she can keep this up, though she will be disposed to do so unless unforeseen difficulties arise.

With kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,  




February 13th, 1907.

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Miss Skilton, St. Louis,

454 West 57th St.

New York City.

My Dear Miss Skilton:

Your note with reference to your interviews with Miss Giles regarding the Village Settlement work in India, has just been received. It was I who suggested to Miss Giles, you and Miss Gauthney for the Settlement work. I understood at the time that a Miss De Notbeck had undertaken to provide the funds, but have heard nothing further of that plan. I did have, however, a letter from Mrs. Wu, Borden of Chicago, in which she says that she will be willing to provide \$300 a year for two workers for the present. Personally I hope very much that two more workers can be sent to the Settlement, but there are some questions with reference to the Village Settlement's relationship to the Western India Mission that should be adjusted before any more are sent. I hope that they can be adjusted at once. We are in correspondence about them. If they are satisfactorily arranged, I see no reason why you and Miss Gauthney might not go out together this fall. I shall write to Miss Giles about the matter, and shall ask her to keep you fully informed. I do not feel prepared, however, to take the responsibility of encouraging the collection of outfit money and travel, until the questions to which I have referred are definitely settled.

Very cordially yours,

February 14th, 1907.

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Mrs. J.M. Goheen,

Wooster, Ohio.

My Dear Mrs. Goheen:

Our hearts are very much distressed at the word from your son announcing your great sorrow and loss. I had just written you in reply to your letter with reference to your future plans, and while I knew that there was ground for concern regarding Mr. Goheen, I did not know that his condition was so critical. Our deepest love and sympathy are with you and your children, and I pray that the peace and comfort of God may abide in your hearts.

Please let me know if there is any service that we can render, or anything that we can do in any way.

Very affectionately yours,



Feb. 15, 1907.

Rev. W. A. Sailer,  
Lawrence, Van Buren County,  
Michigan.

I returned from Mexico this week and write at the first opportunity in reply to your note of January 18th.

I am glad to know that you are strong enough to take up ministerial and pastoral work again, and I have pleasure in sending you herewith a statement which is in accord with the facts and which I hope will answer your purpose. If not, and there is anything else that I can do, please let me know.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

February 15, 1907.

This is to certify that the Rev. G. W. Seiler has been for thirty years a missionary of our Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

Mr. Seiler was in India as a missionary from 1870 to 1893, and then, his health failing, remained in the United States until 1895, when he was reappointed and returned to India, coming back to the United States, because his health again failed, in 1902.

Mr. Seiler has always been most highly esteemed by us. His forced withdrawal from the work was lamented both by his associates on the field and by the Board. His name is still carried on the roll of the Kohlapur Presbytery of the Synod of Bombay of the Presbyterian Church of India. I have before me the roll of the Presbyterian General Assembly in India for 1902 and find Mr. Seiler's name enrolled as of the Kohlapur Presbytery.

I have pleasure in commending Mr. Seiler as a devoted and earnest Christian man and minister.



February 27th, 1907.

S--J

Dr. Robert H. Goheen,  
Vengurle, India.

My Dear Dr. Goheen:

You will long before this have received the sad telegram which was sent to you at your Mother's request on February 16th announcing the death of your Father. He had known that he was seriously ill, but had not supposed that there was occasion for any immediate anxiety. None know better than your Mother and her children, what a rare and beautiful character has passed away, but all the members of the Mission and the Board feel heavily the great loss which has fallen upon the work. Our hearts go out especially to you and your wife far away, to whom these sad tidings had come so soon after you had taken up your work at Vengurle.

At the last Board meeting, the death of your Father was reported, as the following extract from the minutes of the Board meeting will indicate;

"The Board heard with profound regret of the death of the Rev. J.M. Goheen, one of the oldest members of the West India Mission, who by his godly life and unselfish character, and noble Christian Spirit, had endeared himself alike to the native peoples, Christian and non-Christian, to his fellow-missionaries and to the Board; and it was voted to express to his wife and children, one of whom is now a missionary of the Board in the same Mission in which his Father had labored for a generation, the Board's deep and loving sympathy."

I have been thinking not a little of you and Mrs. Goheen these days since the receipt of Mrs. Goheen's letter of January 20th, for which I wish you would thank her for me, and since I had the privilege of reading also the last letters from you and her to your Church in Cleveland. I can well appreciate what has been involved in your going off to Vengurle. It will be a hard and lonesome field for you in your medical work with no facilities provided for it. I wish it were possible for the Board to make some special provision, but it is struggling by every means in its power to provide for the deficit of the last three years which is still

and it is a heavy budget of the current year.

Dr. Robert H. Gohsen--2--

If there were any possibility of financial help, the Board would joyfully come to your assistance.

Even without the facilities you ought to have, however, you will be able to do a strong and useful work this year.

I have been thinking very much lately of what it is that constitutes real living. It seems to me that we are very prone to get the real living all mixed up with the tools with which real life does its work and which are of very secondary consequences. As I study the life of Jesus, one of the most wonderful things in it is the way in which he worked by the use of his life, the free use of what he was as a living, personal force. He was not limited to work in certain kinds of buildings, or with certain kinds of agencies. Wherever he was, all the tool that he needed was the tool of his own personal life. It seems to me that we do not nearly enough realize that the vital thing is the living spirit in us, which is, I believe, as often hindered as helped by the machinery with which we clutter it and to which we subject it. If a man has the life of Christ in him, and his heart is filled with a deep and joyous love, I believe that he can do the greatest work that it is possible to man in the world, even though he may utterly lack the material equipment which we are so prone to look upon as indispensable. "It is very hard for me to hear" as Chinese Gordon once wrote to his sister, "that nothing is trivial that is unseen; that it is only the material things that are of no account." Our Lord realized this, but we do not. Building bridges, or preparing briefs, performing operations,-- these seem to the average student today, looking forward to a life work, to be rational and effective activities. But merely befriending a man, or teaching him the truth, or winning him to God and duty--we decline to evaporate our lives in any such ways-- and yet, as a matter of fact, this was just the way Jesus worked. He made no use of money; although he possessed unsurpassed skill in organization, he stoutly refused to make use of it; he launched no industries; he simply went about talking to people, telling them his opinions, showing kindness and sympathy, doing good continually-- but by no means indiscriminately--laying his life out on any life that was receptive to his, "catching men" to use his own phrase--and catching them not by multitudes,



Dr. Robert H. Coheen--3--

but in quiet individual ways--and then he died and that was the end of it.

But was that the end of it? We realize now that the method which Jesus used was the most powerful method which was ever devised, and that what was going on so quietly and unostentatiously in that obscure corner of the world was the greatest upheaving movement in all history. It seems to me a man gets a great peace in his heart when he comes to the point where he is willing to work with the same faith in the invisible which Jesus had, and the same sure confidence that God is in his truth, and that the truth alone is strong enough to prevail.

I have never written to thank you for your good letter written in London before you sailed. I have been woefully behind in all my correspondence. I am hoping, however, that very soon there may be some reinforcements brought into the office of the Board which will make it possible for us to care more adequately for the correspondence. I shall hope to hear from you before very long regarding the work on Vaugurle, and with warm regards to Mrs. Coheen and yourself, I am,

Your sincere friend,

March 1st, 1907.

Mrs. J.M. Gonsen,  
Wooster, O.

My Dear Mrs. Gonsen:

Your good letter of February 26th was received just after I had written a note which I enclose herewith to you. The letter which I wrote in reply to your letter of February 2nd was not sent, as the tidings of Mr. Coheen's death came before it could be mailed.

Since your letter of February 28th came, I have brought the matter up before the Executive Council of the Board and its judgment, which the Board will I know confirm at its meeting on Monday, is the same as that which I have expressed in the enclosed note. Not only will the Board rejoice to continue your home allowance until April 15th as suggested, but if you decide that you can go back to India in the Fall of 1906, it would be glad to resume the home allowance a sufficient number of months before your return that Fall, to make up the full furlough and home allowance of Missionaries from India who return to the field, and even after April 15th the Board will venture to continue your name on the list of the Western India missionaries with the earnest hope of your return.

With abiding regard,

Very affectionately yours,

*[Handwritten signature]*



Wooster, Ohio.

My Dear Mrs. Cohen:

As you requested, we sent to Robert, the news of his father's death, sending the cable to Vengarie where we supposed he would be. I have just written to him expressing our deepest sympathy with him as he received the tidings of his great sorrow, and telling him also how deeply interested we are in the courageous and self-sacrificing way in which he and his wife have gone off to Vengarie

I wonder whether Mr. Cohen's death would make any difference in your future plans and where you will now feel that your future duty lies. I scarcely need to say to you that the Board would only entertain the idea of your withdrawal from the work, in the event of your own positive and immovable judgment that you ought not to go back. On its own part it would rejoice if you felt disposed to return to the field where your life has been spent and where you are so deeply loved.

Very affectionately yours,

March 5th, 1907.

S--J

The Rev. J.B. Tedford,  
Maryville, Tenn.

My Dear Mr. Tedford:

Dr. J.V.F. Ewing writes that he expected to leave India on March 10th, reaching London about April 15th and sailing for New York about May 1st. His address in England will be c/o Thos. Cook & Sons, or c/o the Rev. Cavalier to Adelphi Terrace. The Rev. L.W. Marshall's address, according to his last letters is 1308 Monterey St. San Luis Obispo, Calif..

Miss Giles has been moving about recently, but our last address for her is 1551 Aberdeen Road, Chicago, Ill. c/o Mrs. Osborne.

You will have heard before this doubtless of Mr. Coheen's death on February 11th at Wooster, Ohio.

I hope that you and Mrs. Tedford are well and that your son is improving, and with kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,



March 9th, 1907.

The Rev. A. W. Marshall,  
1308 Monterey St.,  
San Luis Obispo, Calif.

My dear Mr. Marshall:-

Your three good letters of Jan. 11th, 23rd, and 30th, regarding the Village Settlement and the need of the new building at Lompoc for an office and library, and other Mission problems, were duly received and were very helpful.

I trust that the Village Settlement problem may be adjusted, either by the incorporation of the settlement, in such a way as not to destroy it in the regular work of the Mission, or by the complete separation of the settlement from the Mission, so that it would sustain to the Mission the same relations that two Missions of our Church would sustain to one another located side by side, as, for example, the North India and the Punjab Missions.

It is evident that many have been dissatisfied with the action of the Mission at the last Mission Meeting on the subject, and I trust that mature deliberation will have suggested some generally satisfactory solution.

We are just making out the estimates for the coming year, and are arranging them in expectation of your returning to India at the end of a year's furlough. In some cases, the India missions have assumed that India missionaries were to have sixteen months' furlough, regardless of the time of year at which they came. This is not the case. The sixteen months' furlough was arranged because of the impossibility of India missionaries leaving India in midwinter and getting back in September. When, however, they come at any season of the year which would make it practicable to return after twelve months' furlough, it is the expectation of the Board that they will do so.

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unless, of course, there is medical advice certifying the necessity of a longer stay at home. I speak of the matter with reference to you and Mrs. Marshall because I notice that the Mission estimates have in the full year's home allowance for you, but I presume the estimates were laid out on the expectation that you would come this spring and go back in the fall of 1908.

I see that the estimates include the item for the office and library of which you write. With reference to the proposition that you should raise \$1500. for this purpose while at home, I am sure that the Board would be glad to have the money provided, but it feels that every energy ought to be applied now to meeting the accumulated deficits and the obligations for the current year. It considered at a recent meeting a similar request from the North India Mission and took the following action:-

"In view of the special financial conditions, and the urgent necessity of concentrating on the effort to meet the deficit and cover the budget for the year, the Board felt unprepared at this time to sanction the request of the N. India Mission for permission to raise various special funds for the Patnagarh Station. If, however, all the obligations of the year are met, and no provision for new property can be made under the budget of the next year, the Board will be glad to consider these objects and the needs of Etah, and of other missionaries."

In writing to the Mission I explained this action as follows:-

"You will see from the enclosed financial statements that the contributions have not come in as encouragingly as the opening months of the year had led us to suppose that they would. It will require a large advance in contributions between now and the end of the year simply to provide for the budget of the current year, not to speak of the deficit of \$110,000., which is the accumulation of the past few years. We have been making a very urgent effort, through personal solicitation, to cover this deficit and also the budget for the year, and thus far about fifteen or twenty thousand dollars have been specially subscribed toward the deficit. The Board feels that it is absolutely essential that we shall meet the obligations honorably incurred. It is as eager as the Missions are for an advance movement, and for the provision of the money needed for the various special needs, property and otherwise, of the various Missions; but it feels that the honor of the cause is involved in the prompt clearing up of all existing obligations, and that for the rest of this year every energy that can be put forth by anyone should be directed toward this one thing, so that we can go into the new year unshackled by any unmet obligations, and with every energy bent toward a really progressive movement. If there are any members of the Mission who have influence of whom they can use in securing contributions, will they now use those energies now toward meeting the obligations of the year?"



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Do you know of any individuals from whom you could get \$1500.00? If so, would there not be a possibility of your getting that amount to help meet the liabilities already assumed, which will result, unless they are met, in heavy reductions of the appropriations for the various Missions.

If when the Finance Committee makes out the budget for the coming fiscal year, it was found to be practicable to increase the amounts for the various Missions, and to include in the appropriations for Eastern India this item for the office and library, - then the way will be clear for you to raise money specially; but I do not believe that there is any prospect of this in view of the present financial conditions, and I do feel keenly that every one of us ought to put forth every energy now to save the existing work from disaster and to reduce the obligations which have piled up during the last three years because of the inadequacy of the gifts of the Church to meet the appropriations for this year.

Please do not let this answer lead you to put forth no special effort to raise any special funds that it may be in your power to raise. Everyone is doing his utmost to raise such funds now to help on the current liabilities, and I hope you will co-operate with all your power.

I hope that you and Mrs. Marshall and Stewart are all well, and with kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Mar. 8th.

March 11, 1907.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for

your letter of

I have a number of good letters from you to answer which I have not as yet personally acknowledged. They bear date of Oct. 11th, Nov. 1st, Dec. 6th and 21st, and Jan. 21st.

Our hearts are with you constantly as you go about your work

alone, and we do not forget either Ethel and all that she has lost.

Your Mission has suffered heavily this year in the death of Mrs. Wainless and

Mr. Jolly, and now in the loss of dear Mr. Cohen, one of the saints of God.

I hope that God may raise up three good men to take the places of Mr. Cohen

and Mr. Jolly and Mr. Tedford.

How are Dr. Irwin and Mrs. Simpson now? I earnestly trust that

they may be able to go on with their work, and that the Mission may meet with

no more such heavy losses.

On the receipt of your letter of Dec. 6th, I wrote to Mr. Converse

regarding the provision of 1200 Rs. to complete the work on the new hospital

lavatories. He replied as follows:-

"I have yours of yesterday with extract of letter from... If you will advise me what amount will be necessary to cover the... I will be glad to contribute."

I had indicated that the money, as your letter of Dec. 6th which I had quoted to him in full indicated, was for the completion

of the lavatories, telling him that I understood the... of the

but that I would write to you on the subject... amount. Will you kindly do this? If 1200 Rs. is the amount, I will be

glad to write to Mr. Converse, asking him to contribute...



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that that is the amount, but in case of any change of the information which you had received, and that should be a definite statement to his mind, there is nothing for me to do but to ask you to write me again, giving the exact amount as nearly as possible.

We have not heard anything from your brother, Archie, with reference to the industrial work. We have no one else in view for the place, and I may write to him regarding it.

I understand from your letter of Jan. 1st that the money provided by Mr. Austin and Mrs. Ludington for the medical out-stations will be required from May 1st, and I am writing to Dr. Miller to that effect.

I trust that it may be possible, as soon as Col. Ferris returns, to get out property difficulties at Kodoli adjusted. It has been an unhappy affair.

With reference to the Village Settlement, I can understand some of the difficulties. I have told Miss Giles that I thought that perhaps the best way out of them would be for the Settlement to be entirely separated from the Mission, and be regarded practically as a separate Mission. It would then have the friendly services and offices of your Mission, just as our inland Missions in China have the friendly offices and services of the Mission, whose central headquarters are at Shanghai. I trust that a fuller consideration of the problem may suggest some wise solution, or, at any rate, bring all parties to see the desirability either of the separation of the Village Settlement by the Mission, on terms which will, if possible, make its real continuance practicable; or an entire separation of the Settlement from the Mission. In one way or another, certainly the difficulties of the settlement must be removed.

Enclosed is the following letter from the Rev. C. R. Watson, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Presbyterian Church.

Dr. W. J. Wanless--3--Mar. 11, 1907.

which I have reported to the Board and would report now to you with much

"I am writing you in behalf of our Board, to extend through you an expression of the gratitude of our Board to Dr. W. J. Wanless, of the American Presbyterian Mission Hospital at Miraj, Kohlapur Mission, India.

"During the past year, two of our missionaries suffered from serious attacks of appendicitis. They were taken to the hospital referred to and operated upon by Dr. Wanless. The kindness of the doctor and his assistants has appealed not only to those who were personally helped by them, but to our Mission and to our Board. We would appreciate it if you would communicate to Dr. Wanless, in our behalf, our sincere thanks."

I hope that you yourself are very well, and that the tremendous amount of medical and executive work which you are carrying still leaves it possible for you to do what I know it is in your heart to do for the evangelistic work of the hospital. I have just been writing on this subject to one of the medical missionaries in China, who has a complete and large medical plant now, which I fear may swallow up his energies so that his evangelistic influence will suffer. I wrote to him as follows:-

"Now that you have so good and expensive a plant, I hope that it may not prove too big a burden for you and absorb in its management so much of your time and strength that you will have none left to put in on the spiritual work. A hospital for philanthropic uses is very well, but that is not the chief reason for our establishing hospitals. We build them in order that they may contribute to the building of a native church, which, in due time, will create and support its own hospitals. I hope, accordingly, that you yourself will put devoted evangelistic effort into the hospital; do not rely on other missionaries or on native evangelists to do all this work. Unless you do it, it will never be done as it ought to be done. I have known of the bad impression produced in hospitals by the fact that the doctor in charge relegated all the evangelistic work to others, so that the patients argued that if the great man who did the medical work did not speak to them about their souls, that their souls were of little consequence, and that they need not give especial attention to the talk of any of the evangelists about spiritual things."

It is always a delight to hear from you, and with warm regards, I am

Your sincere friend,



March 22nd, 1907.

Miss Alice L. Giles,  
4240 Regent St.,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Miss Giles:-

Your letter of March 9th was received yesterday, and, as you surmised, it has been a great surprise.

I believe thoroughly in your conscientiousness and in your missionary devotion, and have no doubt that any decision that you have reached has been reached deliberately and prayerfully. I am sure it will be a great disappointment to Miss Wilder, however, not to have you come back, and I know that all the members will feel it is a great loss to the work.

Miss Nottbeck has not been in to see me. I shall be very glad to talk with her whenever she does come in. With reference to sending out Miss Skilton and Miss Gauthoy, I do not think it will be possible to secure any favorable action with reference to their going until the matter of the Settlement relations to the Mission is satisfactorily decided, especially as now that you will be out the Settlement is reduced to Miss Wilder and Mrs. Havens and Miss Rubentisch. Miss Rubentisch has been on the field only a few weeks, and Mrs. Havens' commitment to the Settlement idea I cannot be sure is as strong as yours; so that it would seem to reduce us to the point of beginning over again, so far as the Settlement personnel is concerned, and in view of the experience of the last seven years, in which out of seven young women sent out to the Settlement to be with Miss Wilder, only two now remain, and one of these, as I have said, is entirely new and the other, perhaps, as ready to be related to the regular work of the Mission as to that of the Settlement, although I do not have any such word from her. The Board will want, I think, to proceed carefully in any

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further steps, and certainly will not send out any more workers until the question of relationship is definitely adjusted.

If you do not intend to go back in the fall, I should think that there would be no gain in postponing your resignation, although it might be well if you would fill out the full year of leave furlough. The sixteen months for India, of course, holds only in case of a return to the field.

I am glad you had such a good trip to the Pacific Coast, and hope to see you before very long, and with kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Mar. 21.



March 29th, 1907.

The Rev. E. W. Simpson,  
Kohlapur, India.

My dear Mr. Simpson:-

I have your three good letters of November 1st, December 27th, and January 2nd still unanswered, and I have read with great interest, also, your report of your work for the last year.

I trust that Mrs. Simpson is fully recovering her health and strength now. The last word from Dr. Wanless was very encouraging.

I was deeply impressed by your letter of December 27th, stating the urgent need of the Mission for men. Mr. Goheen's death still further confirms your appeal. I have earnestly urged that at least three new men should be sent to the Western India Mission this year, one to be the industrial man asked for for Mr. Jolly's place, and the other two to take the places of Mr. Goheen and Mr. Tedford. I doubt whether more than this can be sent this year, but this will be a good reinforcement. The Board has already assigned two ordained men--strong, capable men. We have not yet heard from them, however, as to their readiness to go to Western India, as at least one of the two expressed a preference for Northeastern Asia. I do not think it was a very fixed preference, however, and hope that the evidence of need, and particularly in the Western India Mission, will make him not only ready but desirous to go to your assistance.

I do not think that the Board could feel that it could make a special appropriation to defray, in whole or in part, the expense of publishing the quinquennial report of the Mission. The Board is required by the General Assembly to publish a full annual report, and this costs a good

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deal of money. Every year the pages on the different countries contained in this annual report are bound separately, and can be supplied to all those who are interested in any one mission or field. The Board has always felt that, in view of this required expense, and in view of the availability of missionary information on the special fields in the Church magazines, it ought not to spend money on publishing special reports of the different missions. Where the missions feel that they must have such reports, however, and get them out at their own expense, the Board has always been very glad to cooperate, and anything that we can do in the matter of getting any printing done for you here, we should be glad to do.

The annual reports of the Board, however, include all that is most interesting in the reports that come from the missions; and if the missions have good material for such a report as you have in mind, and will put it in the annual reports which come to the Board, it will be used in the Board's report to the General Assembly; and, as I have said, the separate pages of this report relating to any one mission field are always bound separately, and can be used for the purpose of furnishing special information regarding any particular field.

Of course, the Board's report is not expensively printed, and a report which you have in mind would probably be; and it has to include in order to constitute a real record of the work from year to year, a number of items which are not particularly interesting. Have you any estimate how wide an influence was exerted by the last report on the Missions? I remember that what impressed me most in fact was the story of Saratoga. Miss Brown finished her "Life" of Miss [?]. If there is any translation of it, could you tell me how to obtain it; or could you order a copy of it with the bill sent to me?

I am glad that you have taken up so energetically and effectively



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the itinerating work, and pray that God may richly bless all that you have done this last year so devotedly in this work.

I am working at home to-day to escape the interruptions of the office and catch up with back correspondence, and, before beginning work, was meditating for a little while on Christ's mastery of the heart and mind and life of Paul. I found among some notes which I had made the two following quotations, the first from Somerville's book, "St. Paul's Conception of Christ", and the second from Stalker's, "The Preacher and His Models":-

"To the mastery of Christ Paul had fully surrendered, yielding to His personality, a personality so intense, so vivid as to excite the most ardent affection, for 'Never man', as one has said, 'loved Christ with so much love as Paul.' His love for Christ is indeed without a parallel in the history of religious emotions. He never lost the vision of Him whom he saw but once, on the way to Damascus. Dedicating his whole being to the Christ 'who had loved him and given Himself for him', he had no other aim than to glorify Christ and to glorify His glory."

"What may be called the inner or spiritual life of St. Paul may most of all been said to have been all Christ. His own theory of this innermost life is that it is a kind of living over again of the life of Christ. . . . He is the very soil in which this life grows, and the atmosphere in which it breathes. . . . His love for Christ is indeed without a parallel in the history of religious emotions. He never lost the vision of Him whom he saw but once, on the way to Damascus. Dedicating his whole being to the Christ 'who had loved him and given Himself for him', he had no other aim than to glorify Christ and to glorify His glory." Church. He says that the heart of Christ is yearning after men in his heart; that the mind of Christ is scheming after the Kingdom of God in his brain."

I found, also, a little longer quotation, a copy of which I enclose, from Frederick Denison Maurice, whose "Life" I have been reading recently on the trains. I do not think it is an especially well written biography, but it is very interesting, and it gives one a new desire to be loving-hearted and to find the whole centre and circumference of one's life in Christ. I have been thinking how much of unhappiness, and self-consciousness with its poisonous influence, of uncharitableness, of discontent with one's own limitations and failures would disappear if our hearts were wholly filled, as Paul's was, with the consciousness of Christ, so that we could say of ourselves with any measure of truth what he said, "to me to live is Christ". The work here in the offices at home would be very, very different.

Mr. Sampson - 100-100-100

Oct. 1, 1900

Dear Sir -

Very truly yours,

*Wm. H. ...*

Wm. H. ...



April 25th, 1907.

Mrs. J. M. Goheen,

Wooster, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Goheen:-

I received a day or two ago a letter from Mr. Spdegraff, one of the two young men under assignment to the Western India Mission, to which I have just replied, and enclose a copy of my answer, which will indicate what the questions were which he asked.

I hope that you are very well. We think constantly of you and of all that the past months have meant to you, and, with ever warm regard, I am

Your affectionate friend,

Robert E. Speer  
7/2/07

April 20, 1906.

To the Members of the WEST INDIA MISSION,

My Dear Friends:

I enclose herewith the detailed appropriation sheets for the fiscal year 1907-1908. The figures given on the Summary sheet confirm the figures reported to you in the printed letter of March 19th. It is not necessary to repeat the explanations and expressions of regret contained in the printed letter. I am only happy that it has been possible, under all the pressure that is now resting on the Board, to provide the same amount provided for the Native Work last year.

You will rejoice, also, to have confirmation of the report contained in the printed letter with reference to the appointments of Mr. Updegraff and Mr. Howard. They are two exceptionally good men, I believe. They are both unmarried men, and so far as I know, expect to go out to the field unmarried. Mr. Updegraff is a graduate of Yale University and Princeton Seminary, and Mr. Howard is a graduate of the University of Texas and the Princeton Theological Seminary. Mr. Updegraff has had charge of a church in Buffalo which he will not be able to leave until Fall, and as he expects to travel some he may not reach India until the latter part of the winter.

These glad tidings of new appointments, however, are sobered by the sorrowful tidings of which you will have already learned in the cablegram to Dr. Coheen telling of the death of his father, who will be lamented as he was beloved by all who knew him. The following is the extract from the records of the Board meeting at which his death was reported:

"The Board heard, with profound regret, of the death of the Rev. Dr. H. M. Coheen, one of the oldest members of the West India Mission, who was born in New York, and who had spent his life in the service of the mission in India, and who was a man of high character and great ability."



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endeared himself to the native peoples, Christian and non-Christian, to his fellow-missionaries and to the Board; and it was voted to express to his wife and children, one of whom is now a missionary of the Board in the same mission in which his father had labored for a generation, the Board's deep and loving sympathy. This motion was adopted by a rising vote, and the Board was led in prayer by the President."

Mrs. Gordon has decided that she will not return to the field this Fall, but I hope that next year or the year after she may feel able to go back. The Tedfords, also, will not be returning, and the appropriations have been adjusted accordingly.

As Mr. Marshall returns at a season of the year which will make it practicable for him to go back to India at the expiration of a twelve month's furlough the appropriations have been adjusted on this basis, as the appropriations in the case of India missionaries have been provided only on account of the climatic conditions, with reference to the most desirable time of leaving and returning to the field.

In view of the strong requests from India, especially as expressed in the Minutes of the Annual Meetings last Fall of the West India and the North India Missions, the Board has voted to accede to the request of the Missions in India to be allowed to try the alternate plan of a furlough of six months, with travel to and from the homeland at the Board's expense, after five-and-a-half years' service. This allows still the old plan of furlough to those who prefer it, but allows, also, this alternate plan of a furlough of six months, with travel to and from the homeland at the Board's expense, to those who prefer it. The Board is by no means sure that the alternate plan will be found satisfactory. If the six months' furlough gives the Summer months at home, then missionaries will miss the bracing effects of the home Winter. If, on the other hand, the Winter months are chosen, missionaries will leave India at the end of one hot season and get back at the beginning of another. The Board is cordially ready, however, to give the plan a trial.

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I am very sorry that it has not been possible to provide anything for the new property needed by the Mission, or for advance work. Mr. Converse has written that he will pay for the completion of the latrines *at once* as soon as the exact amount of the expenditure is reported to him. The estimates ask for 1200 Rupees, and as I suggested this as the precise amount. If you will kindly let me know the exact amount, Mr. Converse will give us the money, and it will be especially appropriated by the Board.

Of course, the Mission has authority to readjust the appropriations in accordance with the Manual, transferring provisions, so that if any items which were in Column 4 of the Estimates and which have been omitted from the Appropriation Sheets are more necessary than some items which have been included, it is within the Mission's power to make readjustments, making sure, however, that the total amount allowed is not exceeded. I wrote some time ago regarding over-expenditures in the past, and earnestly hope that there may be none this year. Such over-expenditures involve the Board in unforeseen liabilities, and are earnestly deprecated by it.

We have not been able to find a man for the industrial work as yet, and I thought we had a good man available, but discovered, when we laid the matter before him, that he had already committed himself to other work.

You will regret to learn that Miss Giles does not expect to return to India, though you will be interested to know that the reason for her not returning is her engagement to be married to the Rev. Allen F. De Camp, who had supported her during her missionary life.

Two other young women especially well qualified for evangelistic work, are ready to go out to the Settlement, and a good Christian woman in Chicago is ready to support them on a Settlement basis. Here, accordingly, are two good workers and money available for their support, for Settlement work. Shall the Board send them out? I should have no hesitation in recommending the Board to



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As so, if the question of the Settlement's relation to the Mission were only satisfactorily adjusted, and indeed, the Board may feel that it is wise to take the matter in hand and adjust it by separating the Settlement from the Mission, constituting it an independent station or "little Mission, which would sustain to the West India Mission the same friendly and co-operative relationship which the North India and the Punjab Missions sustain to one another. I think it might be well if the Mission would cable at once its judgment on these two points - first, as to whether the young women should be sent out; and second, as to whether the Settlement problem should be adjusted in this way.

Mr. and Mrs. Hannum arrived safely a few days ago, and both have been down with the grippe since landing and were not able to go on last night, so they had planned, to Ohio.

Mr. McArthur, also, came through safely after a trying voyage, and is already feeling better than at times during his journey.

Mr. Richardson writes with reference to a special appropriation for language teachers. The Board does not feel that it could go further than the appropriations which have already been made and which are reported herewith. It has found, as a rule, that there are appropriations for language teachers which lapse each year sufficiently, on the average, to provide language teachers for the new missionaries. At any rate, it can only distribute the amount of money which seems likely to be given, and that it has done to the utmost limit of prudence.

To-day is the last day of the fiscal year, and we are still hoping that it may be possible to close the books of the year without deficit, so far as the current accounts are concerned, though we shall still have the heavy accumulated deficit of the preceding year. The Board is still hoping that the deficit will be covered by the sale of the property of the preceding year.

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printed letter and the leaflet on "The New Plan of Special Objects," which should have been sent to you with the letter, and which I enclose herewith, to co-operate with the Board in providing first, all of the large amount needed for the regular budget of the year, and to remove the deficit. I have noticed some of the appeals which have been sent out, especially to some friends, who seem to assume that the entire responsibility for raising the budget is on the Board. It is not, however, a common responsibility which we must all share, and which can only be discharged so we all co-operate earnestly?

I hope that all the members of the Mission are well, and as delighted as I am that we can dispense the fear that Mrs. E. W. Wilson and her children may have to come away from India.

With kind regards and the earnest prayer that the coming year may be the best that the Mission has ever known, I am

Your sincere friend,



Enclosure.



STATEMENT FOR WESTERN INDIA MISSION

1937-1938

	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Rupees</u>
KODOLI.....	\$1525.30	7511.
KONKANI.....	4636.64	7575.
KIRAJ.....	3080.00	6998.
BATMALI.....	3160.00	2700.
BANGAL.....	3800.00	6274.
CHITRAL.....	2380.00	2747.
VARIOUS SUPPLEMENT.....	<u>900.00</u>	<u>700.</u>
TOTAL.....	\$ 22001.64	34121. Rupees

The total appropriations for the Western India Mission are \$22,001.64 Gold for Classes I and II and 31,340 Rupees for Classes IV & V. The above detailed appropriations for the various Stations are approved so far as they can be covered within the amounts just designated. The Mission has liberty to re-adjust the appropriations under Paragraph 48 of the Manual, but no expenditure beyond the amount just indicated is authorized. All special object gifts for the Mission are included within these amounts unless excepted by the Board on the basis of a different understanding with the donor.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR WESTERN INDIA MISSION1907-1908.KODOLI

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Graham	\$ 990.00
(11 mo.)	
Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Wilson	1680.00
Miss E. A. Foster	540.00
Miss Belle Graham (11mo.)	495.00
Miss S. G. Brown	<u>540.00</u>

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\$ 2945.00

## CHILDREN:

Dr. Wilson (4)	\$ 400.00
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\$ 400.00

400 1.00  
\$ 4445.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Miss V. E. MacArthur, M. D.	\$ 500.00
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\$ 500.00

## FREIGHT AND TRAVEL:

Miss Graham	Rs. 824.00
Mr. and Mrs. Graham	Rs. <u>1848.00</u>

Rs. 824.00  
Rs. 1848.00

\$ 500.00

Rs. 2772

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Sumatabai Krishna	Rs. 84.00
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Rs. 84.00

## ITINERATING:

For the station	Rs. <u>100.00</u>
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Rs. 100.00

Rs. 184.00

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

<u>Kodoli Boys' School</u>	
3 teachers	Rs. 1020.00
Orphan fund	<u>220.00</u>

Rs. 200.00

<u>Kodoli Girls' School</u>	
8 teachers	Rs. 804.00
Orphan fund	<u>304.00</u>

Rs. 500.00

<u>St. Mary's Girls' School</u>	
1 teacher	Rs. 100.00

Rs. 100.00



DAY SCHOOLS:

<u>Ayatavate Boys' School</u>			
2 teachers	Rs. 252.00		Rs. 252.00
<u>Burapu D. S. School</u>			
Dhondi Masapa	Rs. 60.00		
Industrial classes			
in schools	Rs. 600.00		
	Rs. 660.00		
Receipts on f.	<u>600.00</u>		Rs. <u>60.00</u>

OTHER SCHOOLS OR WORK:

2 reading classes		Rs. 144.00	Rs. 1204.00
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CLASS VI. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES.

ASSISTANTS:

5 Assistants	Rs. 588.00		Rs. 588.00
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MEDICINES:

For the station	Rs. 1883.00		
Receipts on field	<u>380.00</u>		
			Rs. 1503.00

EXPENSES:

Lights and heating	Rs. 40.00		
Water	24.00		
Printing	25.00		
Washing	50.00		
Sweeper	<u>36.00</u>		
			Rs. <u>175.00</u>
			Rs. 2266.00

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENT:

Schools		Rs. 60.00	
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TAXES:

Dwellings, hospital, etc.		Rs. 60.00	
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REPAIRS:

For the station		Rs. <u>300.00</u>	Rs. 420.00
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CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:

Travel		Rs. 45.00	
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BOOKS:

For the station		50.00	
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MISSIONARY STATION EXPENSES (Continued)

PERSONAL TEACHERS:

Miss S. G. Brown

Rs. 107.00

Rs. 198.00

SUMMARY FOR ANNUAL REPORT.

	<u>Sales</u>	<u>Rupces</u>
CLASS I .....	<u>2448.00</u>	
CLASS II. ....	<u>530.00</u>	2772.00
CLASS IV. ....		184.00
CLASS V. ....		1204.00
CLASS VI. ....		2266.00 ✓
CLASS VII. ....		420.00 ✓
CLASS IX. ....		125.00
TOTAL .....	<u>3495.00</u>	<u>7041.00</u> Rupces.



APPORTIONMENTS FOR VERMUDA1927-1928.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Dr. and Mrs. R. H. H. Goheen \$1080.00

\$1080.00 ~

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Hannum

\$1000.00

## CHILDREN:

Mr. Hannum (3)

300.00

\$1300.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## OTHER HELPERS:

Tukaramaji R. Kambale

Rupees  
,288.00

## ITINERATING:

For the station

150.00

## ANY OTHER WORK:

Books

25.00

Receipts on field

25.00

438.00 Rupees

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

Maharavada Boys' School Rupees  
1 teacher 180.00  
Receipts on field 36.00

144.00

Lakheri Boys' School  
2 teachers 324.00  
Receipts on field 240.00

84.00

Parabhavada Girls' School  
2 teachers 324.00  
Receipts on field 240.00

84.00

Bhatavadi Boys' School  
1 teacher84.00

396.00 Rupees.

CLASS VI. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES

ASSISTANTS:			
	1 to be appointed		Rupees
			216.00
MEDICINES:			
	For the station	1224.00	
	Receipts on field	<u>500.00</u>	
			724.00
EXPENSES:			
	For the station		<u>100.00</u>
			1040.00 Rupees

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENT:			
	3 schools	25.00	
	Missionary dwelling	420.00	
	Preaching hall	<u>60.00</u>	
			505.00
			505.00 "

CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:			
	Travel		120.00
STATIONERY, POSTAGE, etc:			
	For the station		20.00
SANITARIUMS:			
	Travel		150.00
INCOME TAX:			<u>73.00</u>
			363.00 "

SUMMARY FOR VERGURLA

	Gold	Rupees
CLASS I. ....	\$1580.00	
CLASS II. ....	<u>1200.00</u>	
CLASS IV. ....		438.00
CLASS V. ....		396.00 ✓
CLASS VI. ....		1040.00 ✓
CLASS VII. ....		505.00
CLASS IX. ....		<u>363.00</u>
TOTAL .....	\$2390.00	2743.00 Rupees



APPROPRIATIONS FOR SARGLI

1907-1908.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

SALARIES:

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Irwin	\$ 1080.00
Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Wilson	1080.00
Miss G. L. Enright	<u>540.00</u>

\$2700.00

CHILDREN:

Mr. Wilson (6)

600.00

600.00

\$3300.00

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLIOWOMEN:

ITINERATING:

For the station	<u>Rupees</u>	<u>Rupees</u>
Receipts on field	61.00	
	<u>18.00</u>	

43.00

ANY OTHER WORK:

Books

5.00

48.00 Rupees.

CLASS V. EDUCATION.

BOARDING SCHOOLS:

High School

2 teachers	492.00
4 to be appointed	720.00
Clerk	72.00
Peon	72.00
Books, stationery, etc.	120.00
Clothing, servants, etc.	357.00
Food - 40 boys.	<u>1240.00</u>

Rupees

2982.00

Orphan funds

350.00

2032.00

Industrial School

6 teachers	1080.00
Materials	144.00
Food - 75 boys	1368.00
Clothing, servants, etc.	<u>357.00</u>
	3249.00

Orphan funds, fees, etc. 2069.00

1218.00

CLASS V. EDUCATION (Continued);

BOARDING SCHOOLS:	<u>Rupees</u>		
"Session" School			
Teachers	1,000.00		
Furniture, books	200.00		
Food	3,574.00		
Clothing, servants	<u>756.00</u>		
	5,414.00	<u>Rupees</u>	
Orphan funds, fees	<u>1,275.00</u>		<u>Rupees</u>
		<u>1200.00</u>	4449.00

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENT:			
Land for Conservancy High School	5.00	5.00	
TAXES:			
Missionary premises	55.00		
Mahabalesvar, Mt. Douglas	<u>91.00</u>	146.00	
INSURANCE:			
Industrial shop		13.00	
REPAIRS:			
Dwellings, schools, etc.	550.00		
Mahabalesvar, Mt. Douglas	<u>150.00</u>	700.00	
ATTENDANTS:			
Gardener	24.00		
Mahabalesvar	<u>120.00</u>		
		<u>144.00</u>	
		1008.00	
		<u>6.00</u>	
Receipts on sub-class "Rent"		<u>1002.00</u>	1002.00

CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION EXPENSES:		350.00	
Travel			
STATIONERY, POSTAGE, ETC.		25.00	
For the station			
MEDICAL ALLOWANCES:		<u>400.00</u>	
For the station			775.00



SHREYAS FOR SANGLI

	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Rupees</u>
CLASS I. ....	\$3380.00	
CLASS IV. ....		48.00
CLASS V. ....		4449.00
CLASS VII. ....		1602.00
CLASS IX. ....		<u>775.00</u>
TOTAL .....	\$3800.00	6274.00 Rupees.

APPROPRIATION FOR B. K. AGRI

1937-1938

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

SALARIES:

Miss E. T. Minor	\$ 940.00		
Miss A. M. Jefferson	548.00		
Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Herman	<u>1580.00</u>	\$2168.00	\$2168.00

CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

HOME ALLOWANCE:			
Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Wiley	\$1000.00	\$1000.00	\$1000.00

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN:		Rupees	
3 Bible women		300.00	
Receipts on field		<u>270.00</u>	
OTHER HELPERS:			
2 other helpers	400.00		
Receipts on field	<u>170.00</u>	Rupees	
		570.00	
ITINERATING:			
for the station		<u>100.00</u>	
			328.00 Rupees

CLASS V. EDUCATION.

BOARDING SCHOOL:			
7 teachers	1416.00		
Furniture, books, etc.	<u>150.00</u>		
	1566.00		
Receipts on field	<u>650.00</u>		
		916.00	
DAY SCHOOLS:			
<u>Paritavadi Boys' School</u>			
1 teacher	192.00		
Furniture, cleaning, etc	<u>24.00</u>		
		216.00	



CLASS V. EDUCATION (Continued)

DAY SCHOOLS:

	<u>Rupees</u>	<u>Rupees</u>
<u>Arabasia Boys' School</u>		
1 teacher	168.00	
Furniture, cleaning	24.00	
		192.00
<u>P.M.L. Boys' School</u>		
1 teacher	168.00	
Furniture, cleaning	24.00	
		192.00
<u>Rainewari Bajar Girls' School</u>		
2 teachers		<u>268.00</u>
		1804.00
Receipts on field		<u>648.00</u>

1156.00 Rupees.

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENT:

Missionaries' dwellings	480.00	
School houses	96.00	
	<u>576.00</u>	
Receipts on field	60.00	
		516.00

TAXES:

Missionaries' dwellings	26.00
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REPAIRS:

Dwelling, school, etc.	150.00
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692.00 "

CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:

Travel	200.00
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BOOKS, PRINTING, etc.:

For the station	15.00
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STATIONERY, POSTAGE, ETC.:

For the station	15.00
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MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:

For the station	50.00
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SANITARIUMS:

For the station	200.00
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PERSONAL TEACHERS:

Mr. and Mrs. Kernan	<u>115.00</u>
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595.00 "

SUMMARY FOR SATHAGALI

CLASS I. ....	\$2160.00	....	<u>Rupage</u>
CLASS II. ....	<u>1360.00</u>		
CLASS IV. ....			328.00
CLASS V. ....			1158.00
CLASS VII. ....			692.00
CLASS IX. ....			<u>532.00</u>
TOTAL .....	\$3160.00	....	2769.00 Rupees.



APPROPRIATIONS FOR MIJAJ

1907-1908.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

SALARIES:

Dr. W. J. Wanless	\$ 720.00	
Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Richardson	1000.00	
Miss D. E. Patterson	540.00	
Miss B. G. Johnson	<u>540.00</u>	
		\$ 2800.00

CHILDREN:

Dr. Wanless (1)	\$ 100.00	
Dr. Richardson (1)	<u>100.00</u>	
		\$ 200.00
		\$ 3080.00

CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

BIBLE WOMEN:

3 to be appointed Rupees 250.00

OTHER HELPERS:

For the station 240.00

ITINERATING:

For the station	<u>Rupees 250.00</u>	
Presbyterial evangelist	<u>100.00</u>	
		350.00

ANY OTHER WORK:

Books 50.00

990.00 Rupees

CLASS V. EDUCATION.

DAY SCHOOLS:

<u>Mangavada Boys' School</u>	<u>Rupees</u>	
2 teachers	220.00	
Furniture, cleaning	<u>75.00</u>	
		<u>Rupees 295.00</u>
<u>Boys' School</u>		
1 teacher	144.00	
1 pupil teacher	24.00	
Furniture, cleaning	<u>50.00</u>	
		<u>216.00</u>

521.00 "

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES.

ASSISTANTS:	Rupiah	Rupiah
2 hospital assistants	600.00	
1 compounder	150.00	
2 nurses	500.00	
4 pupil nurses	200.00	
1 nurse to be employed	150.00	
5 medical scholarships	750.00	
Clerk	200.00	
11 servants	800.00	
	<u>3450.00</u>	
Receipts on field	<u>1200.00</u>	2250.00

MEDICINES:	Rupiah
For the station	6000.00
Receipts on field	<u>5000.00</u>

EXPENSES:	Rupiah	Rupiah
Sweeper tax	60.00	
Washing	100.00	
...	800.00	
Lights and heating	350.00	
Repairs to utensils	50.00	
Books and printing	150.00	
Postage and stationery	50.00	
	<u>1800.00</u>	
Receipts on field	<u>1000.00</u>	2207.00 Rupiah

## VII. PROJECTS IN USE.

RENT:		
Schools		48.00
TAXES:		
Land and buildings		86.00
REPAIRS:		
Hospital	200.00	
Missionary dwellings	<u>200.00</u>	
		400.00
ATTENDANTS:		
Tukaram, gardener		<u>72.00</u>
		605.00

## CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION BUILDINGS.

MISSION MEETINGS:	
Mission meeting	250.00
BOOKS, PRINTING, etc:	
For the station	51.00



CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES (Continued)

STATIONERY, POSTAGE, ETC.:	<u>Ruppes</u>		
For station	25.00		
For mission treasurer	<u>100.00</u>	<u>Ruppes</u>	
		125.00	
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:			
For the station			150.00
SANITARIUMS:			
Rent and travel for mission			2000.00
TRANSFERS:			
For mission		<u>200.00</u>	
			2776.00 Ruppes.

SUMMARY FOR MIRAJ

	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Ruppes</u>
CLASS I. ....	\$3080.00 ✓	
CLASS IV. ....		890.00 ✓
CLASS V. ....		521.00
CLASS VI. ....		2207.00
CLASS VII. ....		605.00
CLASS IX. ....		2776.00 ✓
TOTAL .....	\$3080.00 ✓	6999.00 ✓

APPROPRIATIONS FOR WELFARE1907-1908.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Miss E. E. Patton	\$ 540.00
Miss A. A. Browne	\$ 540.00
Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Simpson	1080.00
Miss Y. E. T. Hoston, H. I.	540.00
Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Marshall (5 1/2 mo.)	<u>495.00</u>

\$3195.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Marshall	\$ 541.64
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## CHILDREN:

Mr. Goheen (2 in America)	\$ 300.00
Mr. Marshall (1 " " )	<u>150.00</u>
	\$ 300.00

## FREIGHT AND TRAVEL:

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall	<u>\$ 600.00</u>
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\$1441.64

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

4 Bible women	288 Rupees
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## OTHER HELPERS:

Gangaramaji T. Vaghacour	180 "
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## ITINERATING:

For the station	<u>250</u> "
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723.00 Rupees.

## ANY OTHER WORK:

Books	25 Rupees
Receipts on <u>f.20</u>	"
	5 "

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

	<u>Rupees</u>
15 teachers	1872.00
Pupil teachers	84.00
Watchmen	216.00
Books, etc.	250.00
Food, clothing, etc.	<u>8295.00</u>



CLASS V. EDUCATION (Continued)

BOARDING SCHOOL:

	<u>Rupees</u>	
Receipts on field	\$10,717.00	
(Fees ..... 350)	<u>7,500.00</u>	
(Support of a		3217.00 Rupees
teacher, 90)		
(Orphan fund		
7060)		

DAY SCHOOLS:

<u>Sukravar Boys' School</u>	<u>Rupees</u>	
2 teachers	276.00	276.00 "
<u>Somavar Girls' School</u>		144.00 "
2 teachers		
<u>Aditevar Girls' School</u>		108.00 "
2 teachers		
<u>Halundi Boys' School</u>		168.00 "
1 teacher		
<u>Porale Boys' School</u>		216.00 "
1 teacher		
<u>Majavar Boys' School</u>		
1 teacher	120.00	
Furniture, cleaning, etc	<u>60.00</u>	180.00 "

OTHER SCHOOLS:

<u>Yadav Reading Class</u>		72.00 "
1 teacher		
<u>Minaco Reading Class</u>		72.00 "
1 teacher		
<u>Tiripan Reading Class</u>		72.00 "
1 teacher		
Travel to 9 schools in outstations	<u>72.00</u>	72.00 "
		4597 Rupees

CLASS VI. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES.

MEDICINES:

Dispensary		800 "
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CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENT:

Somavar Girls' School	Rs. 36.00	
Porale Boys' School	<u>3.00</u>	
	Rs. 39.00	39.00

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## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE (Continued)

TAXES:	Rupees		
Missionary dwellings	51.00		
Water tax	24.00		
Herale School	2.00		
Kolhapur, Aditavar Sch.	6.00		
" Book-shop	<u>2.00</u>		
		65.00	Rupees.
REPAIRS:			
Missionary dwellings	525.00		
Other buildings	250.00		
Panhala Sanitarium	<u>84.00</u>		
		657.00	"
ATTENDANTS:			
PANHALA Sanitarium		<u>84.00</u>	"
		845.00	"
Receipts on field (Agent's Dwellings)		<u>125.00</u>	"
			720.00 Rupees

## CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES

MISSION EXPENSES:			
Travel		300.00	"
STATIONERY, POSTAGE, etc.			
For the station		60.00	"
MEDICAL ALLOTANCE:			
For the station		150.00	"
PERSONAL TEACHERS:			
Mr. and Mrs. Simpson		<u>225.00</u>	"
			735.00 "

SUMMARY FOR KOLHAPUR

	Gold	Rupees
CLASS I. ....	\$3195.00	
CLASS II. ....	<u>1441.64</u>	
CLASS IV. ....		723.00 ✓
CLASS V. ....		4597.00 ✓
CLASS VI. ....		800.00 ✓
CLASS VII. ....		720.00 ✓
CLASS IX. ....		<u>735.00</u>
TOTAL ....	\$4656.64	7375.00 Rupees



ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENTS.

1907-1908.

CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

SALARIES.

Miss G.E. Wilder	\$500.00		
Mrs. L. Havens	300.00		
Miss Rebutisch	<u>300.00</u>		
		\$900.00	
			\$900.00

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

RENT.

For the Station	Rupees.	
	720	
		720 Rupees.

SUMMARY FOR VILLAGE SETTLEMENTS.

	Gold	Rupees
CLASS I.....	\$900.00	
CLASS VII.....		720
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TOTAL.....	\$900.00	720 Rupees

May 17th, 1907.

The Rev. W. H. Mannum,  
67 South Ohio Ave.,  
Columbus, O.

My dear Mr. Mannum:-

I am glad to know that you and Mrs. Mannum got home safely,  
and trust that she is already better for being home. What a joy it must  
have been to you to see Robert.

Looking forward to meeting you again at the Assembly next week,

I am,

Your sincere friend,

Distated May 10th.



May 21st, 1907.

Miss Grace Wilder,  
Islampur, Satara District,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Wilder:-

Dr. Atterbury has sent me your letter, giving the glad tidings of your successful well, and to-day Mrs. Schauflier, who is taking lunch with us, reported a letter from Miss Rubentisch to the same effect.

You will have heard long before this of Miss Giles' engagement, and, I suppose, before this letter reaches you, you will have received the announcement of her marriage, which took place yesterday. I am glad that, after all the sorrow which she has had in her own family, there has come this very great happiness to her.

This reduces your Settlement, however, at the present time, practically to you and Miss Rubentisch, for I notice that Mrs. Ravens is not with you, and I have not noticed in any of your letters any expression of assurance that she is expecting soon to join you at Islampur.

There are two devoted young women, of whom Miss Giles has written to you, Miss Skilton and Miss Gauthey, who are ready to go to the Settlement, to whom Miss Giles has explained it fully, and who, I think, would be thoroughly congenial members of it; and a friend in Chicago has offered to support them for a year, with the expectation of continuing the support, although no money has yet been paid in, and the traveling expenses of only one of them have been promised. I should be glad to go forward and try to get the financial conditions met, however, if it were not for the thoroughly unsatisfactory shape of the relations between the Mission and the Settlement. I still am inclined to think that the best solution is for the Settlement to

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be entirely separated from the Mission, to constitute an independent station--practically a little mission--to which the Western India Mission would render all the help in its power, but which is left alone to carry on its own work, and which is not expected to take any part in the administration of the Mission. Still, the difficulty in the way of such a solution is the fact that you are the only experienced person in the Settlement, and that, if anything should happen to you, at the present time, the Settlement would consist only of Miss Rubentisch, who would be utterly unable to carry on such a station. Or, even if Miss Skilton and Miss Gauthey were sent out, the station would consist merely of these three young and inexperienced women, in case anything should happen to you. It would be both unwise and wrong to set up an independent station on such a basis. I had a note from Miss Skilton and Miss Gauthey just the other day, asking whether some definite reply could not be given to them, and I sympathize with them in their uncertainty; but I think it would be very reprehensible in us to send them out to join you now at Islampur, with the relations between the Settlement and the Mission what they are, with Miss Giles' strong judgment that \$600. is an inadequate allowance, and with Mrs. Havens unconnected with the Settlement, and yourself the only member of any missionary experience. As I say, under such circumstances, to send two young women out and to separate the station from the Mission, would be unwarranted. On the other hand, if the Settlement is a part of the Mission, we would not be warranted in sending out new workers, not only without the Mission's approval, but in face of the Mission's dissatisfaction with the relations between it and the Settlement. If we receive any cable from the Mission in reply to my letter, asking us to send out Miss Skilton and Miss Gauthey, I shall be in favor of doing so, if the financial assurances which have been given are fulfilled.



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I enclose herewith a money order for fifty dollars (\$50.00),  
given by the Bible Mission Study & Prayer Union, of the Moody Bible Institute.  
Miss Giles, under whose influence the money was given, writes that it is  
designated for native work in the Village Settlement.

I hope that you and your mother are both well, and, with  
kind regards, I am

Your sincere friend,

*Wm. E. Hill*

Dictated May 10th.

June 8th, 1907.

Mrs. Lillian E. Havens,  
American Presbyterian Mission,  
Tollipour, M. P.

My dear Mrs. Havens:

Your two letters of April 13th were received just as I was leaving for the General Assembly, and were presented to the Board at the first meeting after the Assembly, on Monday of this week.

I was not at all unprepared for your letters, although no word has come in either directly or indirectly suggesting any discontent with the Settlement plan, on your part. I inferred, however, from the simple fact that you had not been associated with Miss Wilder that you had not been drawn to the Settlement, and that in due time you would feel it to be best to sever your nominal connection with it. There is no objection whatever, here, to doing so, and at the meeting of the Board on Monday, the following action was taken:

"A request from Mrs. Havens of the West India Mission, to be released from her connection with the Village Settlement, and to be attached to the regular staff of the Mission, was approved, her salary to continue in accordance with her request, as at present, until the end of her first term of service."

I am sorry for the disappointment that this will have been to Miss Wilder and Miss Rebentisch, but I am glad for the Mission's sake that it can have you available now for its regular work, without any feeling of constraint, although it were interfering with the Settlement.

We are still awaiting some word from the Mission with reference to



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some adjustment of the Settlement staff, in order that we might know what to do in the case of the two young women - Miss Skilton and Miss Gauthey - who are very desirous of going, and with whom Miss Giles has talked fully, so that I think they understand just what the Settlement needs. It has not seemed to us, however, that it was just to have to send them out until there was some understanding between the Settlement and the Mission. I trust that letters or a cablegram may be received ere long that may enable us to relieve their natural anxiety as to their future plans.

I see I have never written you to thank you for your good letter of a year ago, with which I was very greatly pleased. I hope that this year has been as happy as the year of which you spoke in this letter.

We have just finished our Annual Conference with the New Missionaries. As has been the case with each preceding Conference, this has seemed the best that we have held. It was not as large as two years ago, but there was a fine spirit, and all of us, including quite a company of older missionaries at home on furlough, were drawn very close together. All the board workers were present, too, including Mr. Potter, who is in charge of the development of the work on the Pacific Coast; Mr. Patterson, Secretary of the Cumberland Board, who is to have charge, now, of Foreign Missionary interests in the South and Southwest; and Dr. Bradt, of Chicago, who is responsible, more than any other one man, for the great Convention at Omaha. We are hoping that this aggressive prosecution of the work at home may yield large practical results. Dr. Bradt is a man of great energy and faith, always feeling after the heroic ideals and principles. We were talking one day about an address he was to make at Iowa at the Summer Chautauqua soon, on the missionary enterprise as embodying the purest form of the pioneer spirit. I asked him whether he had seen Kipling's poem, "The Explorer."

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He said he had not, and I told him that I thought that that was exactly what he wanted to round out his address. If you have not read it, I think you would enjoy doing so. It begins:

"There's no sense in going further - it's the edge of cultivation,"  
So they said, and I believed it and broke my land and sowed my crop -  
Built my barns and strung my fences in the little border station  
Tucked away below the foothills where the trails run out and stop.

"Bill a voice, as bad as Conscience, rang interminable changes  
On one everlasting Whisper day and night repeated - so:  
"Something hidden. Go and find it. Go and look behind the Fanges -  
"Something lost behind the Fanges. Lost and waiting for you. Go!"

It goes on to tell of his loneliness, his far journeyings, his dreams of what would some day be found in the country which he was opening up, and closes with five noble stanzas, of which these three are the best:

"Will a knave who'll take the credit - all the clever chaps that followed -  
Come, a dozen men together - never knew my desert fears;  
Tracked me by the camps I'd quitted, used the water-holes I'd hollowed.  
They'll go back and do the talking. They'll be called the Pioneers!"

"Have I named one single river? Have I claimed one single acre?  
Have I kept one single nugget - (barring samples)? No, not I.  
Because my price was paid me ten times over by my Maker.  
But you wouldn't understand it. You go up and occupy."

"Yes, your 'Never-never country' - yes, your 'edge of cultivation'  
And 'no sense in going further' - till I crossed the range to see.  
God forgive us! No, I didn't. It's God's present to our nation.  
Anybody might have found it but - His Whisper came to Me!"

I hope that you may have some rest this Summer, and that the work of the coming Winter may be very rich and blessed and happy work.

Very cordially yours,



July 1861, 1861.

Miss Grace B. Enright,  
 Sangli, Bombay Presidency,  
 INDIA.

My dear Miss Enright:

I have allowed too much time to pass since I wrote to you last, and I have two good letters of yours which came last Summer and Winter, still unacknowledged. This past year, however, has been a year which, in addition to other things, it has been necessary to transact a good deal of missionary correspondence. One can't go off for a month's missionary campaign on the Pacific Coast, and for a long Mission meeting in Mexico, and for Conventions and Assemblies all over the country and keep up with correspondence at the same time. I hope that the coming year it may be possible to stay a little more regularly in the office, and to catch up with the correspondence which piles up so fast when one is away.

I was glad to have what you wrote regarding the Settlement, in your letter of November 20th. Had you ever thought of connecting yourself with it, in preference to the other work of the Mission? Before ever receiving Mrs. Havens' letter, stating that she wished to withdraw from her formal connection with the Settlement, in order to be formally as well as actually associated with the regular work of the Mission, I was prepared for some suggestion on your part, and I would not have been surprised if you had suggested that you would like to take her place in the Settlement. I thought of it myself, but I did not think of it at all, but I am sure that I should have thought of it if you had, and I am sure that I should have thought of it if you had.

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Your letter of last summer it was a great pleasure to get, as it had in it useful material. We are always glad for letters which can be copied and sent to those who are giving particularly for the support of the work in some one station. We have a number of these special object givers who help us in meeting the budget for Bangle, and all that comes, whether regarding the School or the evangelistic work of the station, is useful in helping to maintain the interest of these home friends.

A friend sent me, the other day, two little books which have interested me very much, and which are entirely new to me. The friend was Dr. Andrew Robertson, a Presbyterian minister in Halifax, Nova Scotia. We began some correspondence a few years ago, and when he came down to the City this Spring to hear Dr. Orr's lectures on "The Virgin Birth of Christ," we met for the first time, and felt that we had been friends for all our lives. He spoke to me then of these two little books, and this week I received them from him. One is by an English Unitarian named Armstrong, entitled "God and the Soul;" the other is by John Pulsford, a modern mystic who led the last years of his life in London, and who, in the midst of that battle, walked in the Living Presence of God. His little book is entitled "Quiet Times." The Unitarian's book contains some information with which we would not be satisfied, with reference to the Bible, and it is inadequate in its treatment of Christ, but very fine in its assertion of the life in God and with God, and its steady faith in the sobriety and strength of this life. I have just been copying out a passage which I know you will like:

"'Does it work' - this belief that God is in each man's breast urging on to good or calling back from evil, approving or disapproving, wakening the delight of peace with himself or the shame of broken obligations? Does it make efficient men and women, strong, brave, true? The question only needs to be put to find its answer. Almost all that is great and noble in human life, that marks mankind off from the lower orders of creation, that beats down the coarse, the



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the selfish, and the brutal in us and nourishes the pure, the spiritual, the godlike, is the direct working of this belief that we are under the call of God, that he speaks in the voice of conscience, that there are bonds binding us with unique authority to do his will and obey his law. Out this thought right out of the human heart, and who will dare to say how terrible will be the fall of man and the breaking up of the bonds of human society? The moment a man feels that God is there, his conduct takes the highest line. It is the one lever beyond all others to lift mankind to pure, effective, and noble manhood."

It is a mighty comfort to think that God is back of our life and in our life. One's heart would be almost in despair at times, if he could not believe this, and that even our sorrows and our failures will be used of God in His great grace.

I hope that you are very well, and with kind regards, I am

Your sincere friend,

*Wm. L. ...*

June 16th, 1907.

Miss Amanda M. Jefferson,  
Patnagiri, INDIA.

My dear Miss Jefferson:

My last letter from you was from Coonor, referring to the Konkon term of service, and the last letter before that was written just before you took Miss Brown off to Coonor. My letter from Miss Brown was written in November. That letter dealt chiefly with the Settlement work, and her strong desire that no injustice should be done it, so that she did not tell us very much about her own health. I hope that she is very much stronger and better now, and that by taking good care of herself this hot season, she may be quite strong enough to go on with her work in the Fall.

With reference to the climate of Konkon, and the unwisdom of staying there more than five or six years, will not the new furlough arrangement which has been approved meet the need by allowing a six month's furlough at the end of five years? That would mean eight months absence from the field, which I should think would enable anyone to get a good rest whose health was not entirely broken down by the trying climate of the Coast.

We have just finished our Conference with New Missionaries. This was one of the best we have ever held. One of the best things in the Conference, as has usually been the case, was a talk to the missionaries by Dr. A. B. Schaffler. He is full of humor and good common sense, and the fact that he is a missionary's son and grew up, as a boy, in a missionary community, furnishes him with a great number of most telling incidents and anecdotes. In his address this year, he told a great many good stories



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about Cyrus Hamlin. It quite whetted my appetite to read Cyrus Hamlin's life again, and since taking up his autobiography called "My Life and Times," it has been almost impossible for me to lay it down. I have been very interested and entertained and stimulated by it. If you have not read it, or have read it so long ago that you have forgotten it, I think you will be grateful to have it brought to your mind. He was a typical New England boy, poor but ingenious, and tirelessly industrious. The missionary purpose came to him while he was in Bowdoin College, and laid hold of him absolutely.

"I acknowledged," he says, "the reasonableness of the missionary claim, and I said to my conscience and my Lord, 'Here am I, send me.' When I went home I told my dear mother. She broke down and wept as I had never seen her before. Her emotion was transient. She recovered herself and said with a tremulous voice, 'Cyrus, I have always expected it and I have not a word to say, although I would have been so happy if I could have had my youngest son with me.' The others shed many tears, but not a word of opposition came from brother or sisters.

I early chose Africa for my prospective field. I read Mungo Park and Denham and Clapperton, and some other African explorers, and the idea of penetrating the Interior took strong possession of my mind. It led me to recast my views of life pretty earnestly and solemnly. I resolved I would never lay up any money. I would try to square up my accounts every year, and there should be nothing over. I also resolved that I would sacrifice all my ambitions ideas of great learning and would give myself just those things that my work and my environment seemed to call for. I have kept this vow also. If I could change life's sphere of labor over again, I would not change. I bless God who has guided all my path."

That was a pretty heroic resolution, and it was no soft and easy life that he led, but it was certainly a very rich and wonderful life, and he says at the close :

"I have received innumerable kindnesses from many sources. If I have been in any exigency, it was sure to be relieved by some unexpected check, whether for \$10 or \$50, or some intermediate sum. It always seemed as though spirits unseen walk among us, and have means of suggesting thought to others without revealing themselves to consciousness. Whether by this or some other way, 'Our Father's' care, 'who knoweth that we have need of these things,' reaches us always and at the right time. I have neither wealth nor poverty, but I have all things needful for a quiet and happy life while I await the Master's call. In the unmerited and unbounded kindness of innumerable friends, I have received the promise, 'hundredfold more in this present life.'"

For ingenuity, for utterly unselfish devotion to what he believed to be

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right, for unhesitating courage, it would be hard to find a nobler life than old Dr. Maulin's. It gives one a feeling of gratification to remember that he has seen that type of man with his own eyes.

I hope that God's spirit is continuing to work strongly in Satnagiri, that those who are awakening are becoming vigorous and active Christian workers, and that the revival is proving its reality by leaving behind it men and women in the native church who have a vigorous, independent, spiritual life of their own, and who are faithfully doing the work of Christ.

With warm regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,



Dictated June 8th.



June 17th, 1907.

The Rev. A. B. Wiley,  
Gloversville, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Wiley:--

Your letter of the 14th inst.  
has been received in Mr. Spear's absence, and will  
be handed him immediately on his return.  
He expects to be in New York on the 24th.

Very sincerely yours,

*Charles H. ...*

Secretary to Mr. Robert H. Spear.

June 8th, 1907.

The Rev. H. A. Kerner,  
 Laungagiri, Bombay Presidency,  
 INDIA.

Dear Mr. Kerner:

Your letter of May 8th was received June 1st, just in time for presentation at the Board meeting on Monday, June 3rd. We had hoped that you would find it possible to stay in the Western Indian Mission, and to work usefully there, but in view of your letter, the Board, of course, at once authorized us to forward your papers to the American Board with the statement that though we were very sorry to lose you, we would acquiesce in your going, and wish you God's richest blessing in your new relations. As you requested, we cabled to you at once the one word "Celepin," and I wrote Dr. Strong, forwarding your papers. I have not yet had any reply from him. With reference to the financial arrangements, I pointed out to him that you would have been with our Mission nearly three years this coming Fall, and that in the case of the transfer of single women from one Board to another, the Receiving Board is accustomed to repay to the Losing Board a portion of the outfit and travelling expenses, deducting 25% for each full year of service. I do not know of any precedence, however, in the case of men going from one Board to another, but I should not think that the refund would be less in their case. I will just raise the question with Dr. Strong, however, without making any positive suggestion.

I have called his attention, also, to the fact that when Miss Johnson came over to us last year, we paid the American Board \$256.34 on account of



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her outfit and travel, and the question of the return of this amount or an equitable proportion of it will also arise.

I should be sorry to believe that the theological differences between you and the other men in the Western Indian Mission were very wide. I remember some time ago taking up with Dr. Robert Hume the question of the united work of the two Missions in theological training. I fear, however, that if the theological differences are such that you cannot work happily in our Western Indian Mission, it will be difficult for the two missions to come to union work in the theological training of natives. At the same time, there must be strong divergencies to make you feel so keenly, and when there is a possibility of entirely harmonious work in so good a mission as the Marathi Mission, I cannot but hope that it may prove that you have chosen wisely. In any case, we wish you God-speed, and trust that your life and work in the Marathi Mission may be richly blessed. It will always be a pleasure to hear from you. I shall look forward to seeing you when you come home on furlough some years hence.

I have never acknowledged personally, your letter of last October, which I was glad to have, as it contained some useful information.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Kernan and yourself, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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P.S. Since writing the above your letter of May 15th has been received, and I have also heard from Dr. Strong of the American Board in answer to my letter to him, stating that our Board has voted to release you and had forwarded your testimonials as you desire. Perhaps you will have heard directly from Dr. Strong, but I will report his letter, which was written before he received mine:-

"A letter received yesterday from a missionary of your Board at Nathagiri, Bombay Presidency, India, Rev. Henry A. Kernan, reports that he is about to write to you, as Secretary of the Presbyterian Board, about securing a release from your Board that he may join the Marathi Mission of the American Board. I address you, therefore, with a statement of the case as it now stands.

"You are, of course, aware of the fact that Mr. Kernan married Miss Sarah S. Judson, of our Marathi Mission, about a year ago, and that at that time the question was raised whether Mr. Kernan should be transferred to our Board, or his intended wife transferred to your Board. Our Prudential Committee was then feeling strongly the pressure of poverty and was quite unwilling to increase our force in the Marathi Mission. Otherwise I feel sure that Mr. Kernan would have been welcomed to our Mission. But as the case stood, our Committee voted to transfer Miss Judson to your Board.

"Some months later our Marathi Mission became extremely importunate in the matter of reinforcements, and made very strong representations to us in reference to their need of another missionary family. No steps were taken to secure such a family, but in the month of January last a personal letter came to me from Mr. Kernan, with whom we had had no previous correspondence, stating that he wished us to consider that his application still held good. This came as a surprise, and it certainly was not drawn out by any suggestion by us here or, so far as we know, from anyone in India. But even in view of the pressure for reinforcements our Committee instructed me to reply to Mr. Kernan that our Board could not take the initiative in inviting him to membership in our Mission, and that "it would not be at all proper for one Board to seek to draw away the missionaries of another Board into its own service. Such transfer might often be taken with mutual profit, but the case should be clear where such an intervention is made." But Mr. Kernan was informed that if the way should be open with perfectly harmonious feeling and on its own initiative for his transfer to our Mission, he would be welcomed.

"Later on Mr. Kernan wrote to us that he had learned from some sources in India that our Marathi Missionaries would not be invited in a call to him, and that in view of this difference of opinion there he should not press his application. We therefore thought that this was no longer an open question. In the meantime our Marathi Mission was pleading for reinforcements, and a candidate was found in Prof. Burr of Oberlin, who was allied by marriage with one of our missionary families in Amrohdar. Our Marathi Mission know of Prof. Burr, and in its Annual Meeting, the Minutes of which have just arrived, comes a request for the appointment of Prof. Burr, and also a statement that it would welcome Mr. and Mrs. Kernan. But at that



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same meeting the Mission was obliged to accept the withdrawal from leadership of the Ahmednagar High School of Rev. James Smith, on account of ill health, and in its distress to supply that vacated place they had transferred one of their preaching missionaries, Rev. Edward Fairbank, to the headship of the institution, although Mr. Fairbank was not regarded as especially adapted for that post and wished to remain in the evangelistic work.

"The case as thus stated came before our Prudential Committee yesterday, and as the Committee could not appoint more than one new faculty, it was a question whether to appoint Prof. Burr or to leave the matter open for the conclusion of Mr. Kernan's case. Prof. Burr, being a professional educator, would supply exactly the most pressing need of the Mission, while Mr. Kernan, if released, could fill a place that should be filled but was not so essential at the present juncture. Our Committee, therefore, appointed Prof. Burr, and this throws out from our present consideration, Mr. Kernan.

"This is in no wise a disparagement of Mr. Kernan, but is the result of a great change in the situation in our Marathi Mission through the leaving of Rev. James Smith, whose departure was not anticipated until the time of the Mission Meeting, and whose place it seemed necessary to fill by one especially adapted for educational work.

"I have stated the case thus frankly and fully, that you may clearly see the situation and the grounds for the action which has been taken by our Board. Mr. Kernan certainly will have reason for thinking that he was warranted in anticipating appointment by our Board if he should secure release from your Board, but his own letter withdrawing his application certainly warranted us in seeking another man for our Mission, and subsequently the great change in the situation at Ahmednagar made it imperative that we should secure the man who was adapted to meet the precise and pressing need so keenly felt by our Mission. We have been led by the correspondence which we have received to have a high regard for Mr. Kernan, and we know that Mrs. Kernan was eminently successful while our missionary at Nohlagur. We regret the situation, embarrassing to them, but we cannot think that there is any blame on the part of these good friends or on our part in connection with the matter.

"Trusting that you will see the case as we see it, and hoping that Mr. and Mrs. Kernan will have a long and happy service in the missionary field, I am," etc.

If it were not for the statement in your letter asking for a release, to the effect that even if you do not go to the Marathi Mission you must withdraw from our Mission, I would ask our Board immediately to annul its motion regarding your release and reinstate you in its own service, but I hesitate to do this in view of the frank statement in your letter. I think, accordingly, that we had better let the matter stand as it is at present on the records until we hear further from you, and perhaps from the American Board in case the Marathi Mission is able to convince the Board that

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you should be appointed, as well as Prof. Burt.

I would have delayed asking our Board to take action releasing you to the American Board until we could first hear from the American Board. If you had not requested us to pursue a different course and have our Board to act first, at once naming you and forwarding the testimonials to the American Board. I am sorry for the confusion which seems to have resulted, but have no doubt that just the right result will be worked out in the end.



June 26th, 1907.

The Rev. A. E. Wiley,  
Gloverville, N. H.

My dear Mr. Wiley:-

I just returned to my office to-day and write at once in reply to your note of the 14th.

I think the Conference at Northfield which you and Mrs. Wiley would enjoy most is the August Conference, known as the General Conference for Christian Workers. There are several conferences preceding this, one for college men, beginning Friday of this week, which will be followed by a conference for young women. You would enjoy either of these, but, if I were you, I should try to arrange to be there for the first two or three weeks of August. You can learn all about the details and make arrangements for a boarding home through Mr. Albert G. Moody, East Northfield, Mass.

I know what a good time you must be having up at Gloverville, and I trust you are both getting a good rest.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated June 25th.

July 18th, 1908.

The Rev. A. L. Wiley,  
1110 Rose Avenue,  
Danaburg, Va.

My dear Mr. Wiley:

Your good letter was received, and I also heard from Mr. Carter of the good influence of your visit. I am glad to hear of the new contributions offered, and I hope that you may be able to secure the entire amount of the regular Katsugiri budget. The total budget for Katsugiri for this current year is \$2,160 Gold, plus 27600 Rypees, less whatever deduction the Mission may make upon this amount in order that the total expenditure of the Mission may come within the grant for the needs of the work of the entire Mission, which is 11,000 Rupees. Of this amount, Mrs. Cook says that we have \$200 Gold, in addition to \$1000 I and II, thus far procured by special object givers. Will you not help us to get the balance before we secure any more extra outside the appropriations? The objects inside the appropriations are just as definite as any objects outside can be, and they are, as you know, even more important.

I hope that you and Mrs. Wiley are both very well, and with warm regards, I am

Your sincere friend,

Michael July 18th.



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TO THE WESTERN INDIA MISSION,

My dear Friends:-

You have already heard that Mr. Kernen of the Western India Mission resigned his position with the Western India Mission. Last year, feeling his resignation in view of his expectation of receiving an appointment to the vacant position of the American Board. Before taking action, at that time, he communicated with the American Board and found out that it was not in a position, financially, to appoint Mr. Kernen, and, consequently, this fact to Mr. Kernen, he decided to go on in his work in our Western India Mission, and Mrs. Kernen came over from the Marathi Mission to us.

A few weeks ago, however, Mr. Kernen wrote again, renewing his proposal and requesting our Board to reconsider his resignation at once, releasing him from his position, and he requested that we should cable him immediately, and forward the testimonials, which he gathered at the time of his appointment, to the American Board. This was done, and we received in reply from the American Board that it was still not in a position, financially, to appoint Mr. Kernen. I think, however, that the American Board will be corresponding directly with him, and I think that, if at the fall he still feels that he must withdraw from the mission, there may be a place for him and Mrs. Kernen in the Marathi Mission. If not, and the Western India Mission desires Mr. Kernen to continue his present position, the Board is cordially ready to reconsider its action in accepting his resignation, which it only took because of his urgent request.

A special appropriation of \$27.00 has been made for a school building at Yangpur, this amount being a special gift from Mr. Mary L. Buell, of

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of the same Bible & Medical Mission, it being understood that the work is carried on under the direction of the Vengurle Station.

I have not heard from Mr. Day as to whether he has received the full statement as yet regarding the famine funds held in trust. In my letter of last December I asked for a statement of the money on hand at K. S. S. I would like to know just how much money there is in hand there, and at other stations, for the famine orphans, and what is the annual charge against these funds on account of the support of the orphans may be. Are these funds drawing interest? If so, is the interest added to the funds? Or how is it used? If the funds are all expended except those at K. S. S., would the support of all the famine orphans throughout the Mission, and other work provided for by special contributions, be a proper charge against the funds held at K. S. S.?

I would report the following action of the Board at its recent meeting, in reply to a letter from Mrs. Havens:-

"A request from Mrs. Havens of the W. India Mission, to be transferred from her connection with the college settlement, and to be attached to the regular staff of the Mission was approved, her salary to continue in accordance with her request as at present, until she had another year term of service."

In this connection, I would say that we are still awaiting word with reference to the setting out of money for the two girls sent to the Settlement. We have not felt that it would be right to them to send them out with the salaries of the Settlement unless we were satisfied that the money had already been considered this matter and was approved, and we are waiting, in regard to this, as to whether we shall send these two young women to the Settlement. As I explained, their salary is provided specially for this purpose alone.

You will have heard from Mr. and Mrs. Hannum of their safe arrival at home. They had been in New York. Mrs. Hannum was confined to her bed for nearly a week, but they went on to Columbus before the General



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Assembly, and I saw Mr. Newman there a number of times during the sessions of the Assembly.

I wish it were possible to report to the Mission some large amount of money for the work of the Mission. I know how often I have passed up such opportunities in account of the inadequacy of the appropriation. We are hoping and praying, not only that the regular contributions of the churches may increase, but that during this year there may be some large special gifts, which would make possible, not only additional appropriations for the ordinary support of the current work, but also large gifts for better equipment and for the development. We are waiting, officers in this direction, and I trust that they may not be futile.

As you learned from the printed letter regarding the appropriation, Mr. Billwood's plan has been filled at last, and, beginning with the 1st of October, the Mr. Stanley White, D.D. will take up work in the office. His coming will of course necessitate some change, and at the last meeting of the Board it was voted that, in the re-arrangement of the work, Mr. White should be made responsible for the correspondence with the Western India Mission. It will be with very great reluctance that I shall transfer work to him, but it will be with the earnest prayer that the interests of the mission may be better served. Dr. White is one of the truest and sincerest and most unselfish men I know, and I am confident that your relations with him will be in every way delightful. As I have said, he will begin his work the 1st of October, so that it will probably be best if all future correspondence, after this letter reaches you, is addressed to him. There is nothing that I can do that I shall not gladly do to help him and the Mission in the future, but such purposes do not seem to me to be given up when relations are not sustained.

Mrs. Goben, as I wrote before, will not plan to return to the field quite fall, and we all hope that the way may be open for her to going sometime

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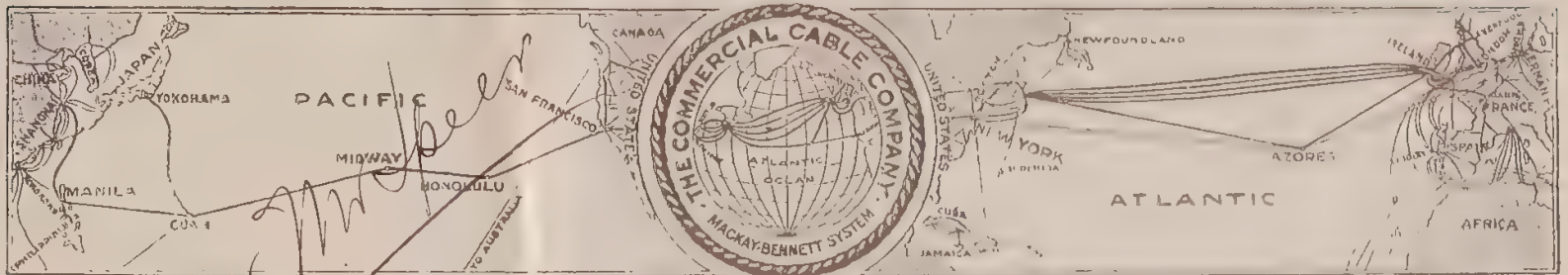
I hope that all the members of the Mission are well, and, with warm regards, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated July 10th.

Form No. 59  
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# CABLEGRAM



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SEND THE FOLLOWING CABLEGRAM

**"VIA COMMERCIAL"**

SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND

CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK HEREOF WHICH ARE AGREED TO

June 5, 1907.

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PLEASE READ CONDITIONS AT BACK AND WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR REFERENCE



July 29th, 1907.

The Rev. William H. Hamman,  
234 West Tenth Street,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Hamman:-

Your note of the 27th inst. has been received in Mr. Speer's absence on his vacation. We are expecting him in the office again about the middle of August.

We try to send a copy of each message to the stationer at the hour of furlough, so it will not be necessary for you to forward your copy to Vengaria, as one was sent to Mr. Ganeen also.

I am sorry the appropriation sheets were not addressed to him. I did not know at that time that he was Secretary of the Station.

Very respectfully,  
[Signature]

Secretary to the Stationer, [Address]

September 7th, 1907.

The Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
234 West 10th Avenue,  
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Hannum:

We received, the other day, a letter from Mr. Converse, enclosing extracts from some correspondent who was desirous of spending a few thousand dollars in medical missionary work, and who thought of doing this in connection with our Hospital for Women in Allahabad, although his special care was medical work for men. Mr. Converse had consulted Mr. Janvier, who had suggested, also, the work at the Allahabad College, and then wrote to me for suggestions. I enclose herewith a copy of my reply, so that in case you hear from Mr. Converse or his correspondent you will understand the situation.

I do not think it would be well for you to write, unless Mr. Converse or his correspondent opened the question.

I hope that you and Mrs. Hannum and the children are all well, and with kind regards, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated September 6th.



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Miss Grace E. Wilder,  
Islampur, Satara District,  
India.

My dear Miss Wilder:-

I enclose herewith a copy of my last letter to the Western India Mission.

Giving up the correspondence with the mission will involve also giving it up with the settlement, and I am very sorry for this, because I have been your correspondent here from the beginning, and have tried, as well as I could, to help you to test the plans of work in which you have been engaged. I am sure, however, that you will be able to count on the hearty sympathy and support of Dr. White, and his office and mine adjoin, so that we will have no difficulty in consulting together. I will acknowledge now the receipt of your letters of April 16th and June 20th. I am writing to Dr. Atterbury, as you request.

I do not think that there will be any real difference in your relations to the mission. I am confident that the mission will be happy to help you in any way in its power, and that you will be very welcome at their mission meetings, which I hope you will attend.

It will not be long, now, before you will have Miss Skilton and Miss Gauthey with you. They are devoted women, and I am sure they will be in every way congenial and most faithful in their work.

I hope that you and your mother and Miss Rebertsch are all well, and, with kindest regards, I am

Dictated Sept. 18th.

Your sincere friend,

September 26th, 1907.

The Rev. H. A. Kernen,  
Ratnagiri, India.

My dear Mr. Kernen:-

Your letters of July 19th and August 9th and 16th were all duly received, and I have corresponded on the subject with Dr. Strong of the American Board. He will have explained, doubtless, the occasion of the confusion that has arisen. I think perhaps it might be well, however, if I would quote his letter of August 20th:-

"I have received your letter of the 15th inst., enclosing a letter you had received from Mr. Kernen; also a copy of two letters, one I had sent to Mr. Kernen under date of Jan. 24th and one he sent to me under date of March 1st.

The matter is one that causes me no little perplexity as well as pain. Our secretaries are absent now and our Prudential Committee is widely scattered. Our financial year closes within ten days, involving an immense amount of work, and I fear that no very definite action in the case can be taken promptly, but the matter shall go before our Committee just as soon as possible. Mr. Kernen in his letter to you says that a statement made by me 'that the Committee supposed our (his) request withdrawn seems inexplicable.'

The explanation lies in the fact that in his letter of March 1st Mr. Kernen said that 'if there promises to be any strenuous opposition to our appointment to the Marathi mission, we would request that the matter of our transfer be dropped at once.' This same letter of Mr. Kernen shows that he had learned from his special friends in our Marathi mission that there was opposition to his transfer. Personal letters to us from at least a half dozen members of the Marathi mission had revealed the fact that they were opposed to his transfer. From what these brethren had written, and from what Mr. Kernen himself had reported as to his information in regard to the attitude of our mission, we could draw no other conclusion than that his request was withdrawn. We, therefore, entered into negotiations with another man who might fill the one vacancy which our Committee had authorized might be filled. It was a great surprise, therefore, to us, as it must have been to Mr. Kernen, when the mission at its meeting some four weeks later, voted unanimously to invite the Kernens to join the mission. The members of the mission doubtless had good reason for changing their judgment, but we certainly could not have anticipated it, and when the news of this change reached us, we were as much involved in negotiations with another party as we had been weeks previous with Mr. Kernen. I will not go into this matter further than to say that our Committee would not have appointed Mr. and Mrs. Burr to the Marathi Mission if they had not supposed that Mr. and Mrs. Kernen had withdrawn their applica-



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tion.

Whether our Committee on coming together will think another family can be appointed to the mission when it has received a larger reinforcement of late than any other of our missions, I cannot say. I can only say the case will be earnestly and sympathetically considered with a full purpose to do justly by Mr. and Mrs. Kernan. His present position is certainly very trying."

I have just written to the mission, reporting the following action of the Board, which will cover, I think, the final paragraph of your last letter:-

"In view of uncertainty as to the time of beginning his relations to the American Board, Rev. H. A. Kernan was authorized to continue his work in the Western India Mission for so much of the current fiscal year, after October 1st, as may be deemed desirable by Mr. Kernan and the Western India Mission, his salary to be continued so long as he remains in the service of the Board."

I said to the mission, also, as you will see, that if your plan of leaving the mission fails, and you desire to continue with the mission, and the mission thinks it well that you should,- I am sure the Board will cordially concur; and in that case, your salary items should be included in the estimates for the next fiscal year.

Regarding the report that has reached you, that the Treasurer's office has refused to pay any bills for you, I venture to quote a letter which I have just written on the subject to your sister in New Rochelle.

"We are not a little concerned at a report which seems to have reached him (Mr. Kernan) and which may have gained through circularization, to the effect that he had been left in any financial distress, or that we had refused to honor charges against him. Your husband came in one day to make inquiries, which I was very thankful he brought directly to us, and which indicated that some of your brother's friends feared that he might be cut off without support. We have steadfastly sought to dissuade his withdrawal from the mission, and when at last he insisted that he must leave October 1st, whether he joined the Marathi mission or not, there was nothing left for us but to accept his resignation; but it was done to take effect October 1st, and, until that time, his financial relations with us are just as they always were. I have made inquiries in our Treasurer's office, however, and am informed there that no charges against Mr. Kernan were ever refused.

Mr. Kernan writes, however, 'word has come to me indirectly that bills presented for payment for me have not been recognized by the

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Treasurer because we had withdrawn from our Board,' and he states that he had made purchases for Mrs. Kernan which were necessary and presented the bill for payment, and that this was refused?

Must there not be some mistake about this? I am informed by the Treasurer's office that no bills were refused. If there is a misunderstanding in anyone's mind, we are very anxious to have it removed, as our Board is punctilious in the fulfillment of all its obligations."

She came in to see me that same day that she was in the Treasurer's office, and we had a perfectly clear understanding, as I supposed. I told her that until October 1st your status here was precisely what it had been, and so far as any change then was concerned, it was not of our seeking but of your insistence.

I am very sorry for all the confusion, both for your sake and for that of all others concerned. It has been a complicated tangle. The attitude of our Board, however, has been consistent throughout, and we know of no reason for your not continuing in the work except your own feeling of unrest in it and the want of harmonious adjustment in the mission of which you speak. We should be glad if all this could work out to the happiness of all and the gain of the work, and I trust that the uncertainty of your plans may not be affecting the earnestness and efficiency of your work, as I am sure you will not allow it consciously to do.

I trust that Mrs. Kernan is well, and that all may be well, and that God may most clearly guide you and give you joy and fruitfulness in his service.

As you will have learned from the letters to the mission, the correspondence with the mission will be transferred now to the Rev. Stanley White, D.D., the new secretary of the Board. I am sorry to give up correspondence, but no one could take it up more sympathetically than he will, and I shall always be happy to hear from the old friends in the Mission, and to be of any service to them.

Dictated Sept. 18th. Very cordially yours,



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Mrs. Lillian E. Havens,  
Kolhapur, India.

My dear Mrs. Havens:-

Your note of July 31st was duly received, and I have also your letter of July 18th still unanswered.

Prior to the receipt of your letters, I had already written to the mission with reference to your desire to be transferred from the Village Settlement to the regular staff of the mission. You will learn from the letter which goes to the mission by this mail of the appointment of Miss Skilton and Miss Gauthey to the Village Settlement. I think they will be in every way a genuine addition to it, and I trust that their work in it may be very much blessed.

Dr. White will take up the correspondence with the Western India Mission, beginning next week, so that your letters should be addressed to him, and your letters from the Board will come from him. He will let me look over his shoulder occasionally, I know.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Sept. 18th.

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Dr. W. J. Wanless,  
Miraj, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Dr. Wanless:-

Before turning over the correspondence of the Western India Mission to Dr. White, which I am to do next week, I want to acknowledge your good letters of March 29th, May 15th, and June 21st. One of the sacrifices in connection with the surrender of the Western India correspondence will be the dropping of the correspondence with you. At the same time, I hope that that may not be absolute, but that while our official relationship ends, we may keep up, as I know we shall, the old personal relations. It will be a pleasure at any time to hear from you and to be of any service to you.

I am very much obliged for your kindness in sending me a copy of Mr. Stewart's article in "The Baptist Missionary Review." It is suggestive, but I wish he might have pointed out constructively just what ought to be done in India. Criticism which assumes the possibility of starting over again in a virgin field is one thing; criticism that recognizes that there is a hundred years of tradition to deal with, is another thing. Then there are racial differences, beyond a doubt, and not only racial differences, but differences in social and political pressure and opportunity. I should like to see some strong constructive critic, actually in the work in India, take hold and demonstrate the changes that should be made.

One point where I think we certainly could do something is the point you suggest, namely, making the Indian Presbyterian Church more of a bonafide Indian church. I lament with you its domination in the Assembly by the missionary element. Of course, if the natives are incompetent, that is



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one thing: but if they are not, then they ought to be made to bear the responsibilities.

Of course, one of the primary difficulties in the Indian church is the lack of self-supporting units. Without independent congregations, it is impossible to build up an independent church, and I wish these units might be secured.

I have referred in my letter to the mission to my correspondence with the Bryn Mawr friends. I have no answer as yet to my letters to Mrs. Ludington and Mr. Austin. Mr. Wilbur is the one who writes that he cannot give anything now, but will hope to later. It is harder than one would think to get in special pledges that have been made.

As I wrote you, I think, Mr. Converse wrote me under date of February 19th that if I would advise him what amount would be necessary to cover the additional expense for the hostel and gas plant, he would consider the additional contribution. I wrote to him under <sup>date of</sup> Feb. 27th telling him that the amount was 1200 Rs. We have not yet received this amount from him. He will, of course, meet any actual pledge of his.

I hope that Ethel and you are well, and, with warm regards, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Sept. 18th.

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The Rev. J. M. Irwin, Ph.D.,

Kolhapur, India.

My dear Dr. Irwin:-

If I have taken up your two letters of November 20th and May 7th once, I have taken them up a score of times to answer, and yet there was nothing that I could say of the sort that I wanted to that would prove of tangible encouragement to you. I want to thank you for the letters, though, with all my heart, and for the very helpful comments on the various questions before the mission.

I have spoken in the mission letter of my regret at not being able to witness, before giving up the correspondence, some substantial provision for the better equipment and expanded work of the mission, but I know that the Board has done all that it could, and that it could have done more only by going deeper in debt, which, in the end, means that the work has to be cut down, so that all that one gains is present expansion to be paid for by future curtailment. It was the simple imperativeness of such conditions that prevented the Board from making special grants to cover deficits or to enlarge work. If the amount of 2,000 Rs. which you wanted for the school as an increase of appropriation was the only amount needed in all the missions, it would have been a small thing, but the trouble is that there are a hundred calls from the missions, each one of which believes itself to be as urgent as the call which you pressed, and anybody sitting down to examine them all would be hard put-to to arrange them in the order of their importance.

I know how the matter looks to you in the light of your correspondence with Dr. Stevenson, but for the Board to have taken any of the re-



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gular contributions of the Fifth Avenue Church, or any contributions obtainable from that church, and to apply them to this increase of your appropriations, would have been exactly equivalent to its making an appropriation out of any other church's gifts, because, as Dr. Stevenson writes in a letter to me forwarding your letter of May 14th,--

"I have written him that we are glad to take on as much extra work as possible at the suggestion of the Board, but that it is the policy of the church not to take up any special objects until they have the full endorsement of the Board, as coming within the regular budget.

You say that the Board should assume responsibility for such necessary expansion of the work as your school calls for, or else should give the liberty of appeal to the missionaries; but it is all a question of money. The Board is \$91,000. short now with the appropriations of the current year showing a little gain, but not enough to care for the current obligations. What wisdom is there in diverting any of the insufficient funds to the special increase of a particular piece of work, or in piling up more deficiency? It all has to be paid for inevitably in the end. The only possible thing we can do is to take what we are able to get and do the best we can with it.

Please don't think that I do not appreciate the mockery of the suggestion. What you are facing with one school the Board is facing with 27 missions. Sometimes the Board will sit for hours considering appeals from all over the world, from mission after mission, until it is well nigh ready to despair, when it measures over against these immense possibilities and opportunities the inadequate contributions of the churches.

If you ask whether there is, then, no hope, my reply is that indeed there is hope; but I do not see it in the direction of special appeals for the increase of support for particular objects. I see it in a harmonious and earnest co-operative effort on the part of us all--missionaries on the field and workers at home--first of all to provide for the entire obligated

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budget, and then to get the churches to increase their gifts so as to make the enlargement of that budget possible. It is our want of united effort, the splitting up of our effort by each individual's promotion of the project for which he is primarily responsible, which weakens our impact on the Church.

I see very well, at the same time, the necessity of each individual's pleading for that which he knows best and which is most on his heart, but it seems to me that all that can be conserved at the same time that we work together as a unit to lift the whole missionary project to a plain a little bit beyond that on which it is now.

As to the grants-in-aid, I share your opinion.

I strove with all my might to get the board to take that view and to give you freedom, but the Board would not do it against the judgment of the mission. Our missions in the North, as you know, receive the grants. I do not see why you should not, and I hope that the mission will come to our view in this, and also in the matter of a national administration of the work through an Executive Committee.

Yes, it is true that the Board could give the school help, if it would, answering the inquiry on page 4 of your letter of May 7th; but if it would what? If it would withdraw from some other school what it gave you; if it would spread out evenly over other missions the amount added to yours; if it would increase its deficit (we are now borrowing \$70,000. from the bank and paying 6% interest on it, and will have to borrow more), an increase which would have to be paid for in time.

It seems strange to me, as it does to you, that there should be at once so much talk of forward movement and five-fold increase, and that, at the same time, we should have to be carrying a deficit and facing bigger ones. I do not know what is the matter--whether there is something wrong with the machinery which accounts for the failure to belt existing power onto the



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waiting wheels, or whether the power itself is more apparent than real. My opinion is that we are making headway, and that we are going to make more headway, and that all we need is patience on one hand and hard work on the other hand; that the missionary is all right, that the methods are all right, that the limitations necessary to all organization are all right, that without those there would be loss and collapse; but that we need more direct and active work at home. Whether this should be done by salaried field agents, or not, is an open question. The Board used to have a small army of these and the expense was immense; then it went to the extreme of having none. Now, it has come back to four or five. The Baptist Missionary Union has 11 and its receipts are much less than ours. The Church Missionary Society has 20 and its percentage of administrative expense is more than twice as great as ours. Its income, also, is greater, but it has a heavy deficit, has changed its policies, and is curtailing a great deal of its work. I believe we have in our church system a very good scheme, and I believe it is being worked with increasing efficiency; and we shall all be very much disappointed if, within a few years, there is not a great increase of gifts; and I think the Board is strongly resolved that as this increase comes, the first relief of the missions must be in increased appropriations for their evangelistic and educational work, and the next in necessary property equipment--these to take precedence, in the main, of any addition of new missionaries, and certainly of any occupation of new fields.

May I take advantage of this opportunity to thank Mrs. Irwin for her good letter received a year ago, which I am ashamed to have let so much time elapse without answering, but it has been simply impossible to keep up with the foreign correspondence. That correspondence has doubled since I came to the Board, and for the last year one-half as many men have been caring for it as when I came, so that it has simply meant a quadrupling of the load.

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Dr. White's coming will relieve this a bit and make a prompter care of the correspondence possible and open up also the possibility of work that has had to go undone.

Have the expenses of your trip to Australia been cared for now, or are you still pressed and straightened on that point?

I am sorry to give up the correspondence with you and Mrs. Irwin and with the other friends in the mission, but Dr. White's office is only a step away, and I shall ask him to let me have a peck at the letters now and then.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Sept. 18th.



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Miss A. Adelaide Brown,

Kodali, Kolhapur, India.

My dear Miss Brown:-

I am just turning over the correspondence of the Western India Mission to Dr. White, as you will learn from the letter which goes to the mission by this mail, but I do not want to turn over to him unanswered letters, and I find I have one of yours. The date of it I am not going to tell you.

I think you know Dr. White. He has been pastor for years of the Hillside Presbyterian Church in Orange--indeed, he has been the only pastor that the church has had. I think he will be a great addition to the office force, and no one I know could take up the correspondence with your mission with more sympathy or true interest.

I have not heard anything yet in reply to my inquiry in the letter to the mission of July 23rd with reference to the amount of funds on hand at the various stations of the mission for famine orphans. We are very anxious to know just what the assets are in these accounts, and I wish you would write to Dr. White, telling him what amounts you know of as available in the mission.

I spent a few days this summer with the two daughters of Dr. Labaree, and one of them let me copy a slip of paper which they found in his Bible after his death. I am enclosing a copy of it herewith, as I know it will be of interest to you. He was a man of God, whose experience is all the more helpful and appealing to me because I know, through loving intercourse

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with him, that he struggled with the same temptations with which we all struggle, and was working up toward a richer and more tranquil life in God through the same difficulties which we all face. Here at home it is so hard to find time for such morning devotions as are indicated in his memorandum, but I presume that in whatever circumstances one may be it is possible to find time, if only there is the will to do so—to adjust one's time of going to bed so as to make possible the earlier rising which will give the time. I was thinking this summer on how prone we are to imagine that some other circumstances than those in which we are would be more favorable to our spiritual life.

I noticed how, in picking berries, one was always tempted to think that the next cluster of bushes was so much better than the one where one was picking, just as on the trout stream the fisherman thinks the hole where he isn't fishing will be better than the one where he is, and as walking on a muddy road, one is always tempted to keep crossing from side to side, thinking that the other side of the road must be better than the one on which he is.

Just so in our spiritual life, I do believe that our greatest loss comes from not perceiving that probably the circumstances in which we are are those in which our spiritual life can be best nourished, and that our difficulties are not so much external difficulties as simply weaknesses within our own wills—sloth, negligence, and want of persistence and courageous faith.

Surely, a few mornings spent as Dr. Labaree's memorandum indicates would give one strength to overcome the difficulties in the way of beginning every day with such strengthening fellowship with God.

With kind regards,

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Enclosure

Your sincere friend,



September 27th, 1907.

Miss Emily T. Minor,

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Minor:

Some years ago, speaking without exaggeration, I received a letter from you which I am humbled to think has remained unanswered to this day. You would have been justified in supposing that I was dead if other evidences had not come to you discouraging this notion. Now, however, you are going to have a real live secretary in Dr. White, and I do hope that the, and I do hope that the increase of the office force which his coming represents, or, rather, the restoration of the force which we had when Dr. Ellinwood was here and able to take his part in the work, may make it possible for each one of the secretaries to be more prompt and regular in his personal correspondence with the friends throughout the missions, whose letters are more appreciated than the necessary slowness of reply may have seemed to indicate.

I hope that you and Miss Jefferson are both well.

It was good to hear from you through Mr. and Mrs. Finley, who came home looking very much better than we had feared they might, and who have been working energetically, as one would be sure they would do, since coming.

I trust that they may have a good restful time among the home churches, and that they may be the means of awakening a deep interest in the work of the mission.

Dr. White is going to take over the correspondence next week, so that your next letter should be to him, but I shall go into his office, which will be just adjoining mine, often and ask what he has heard from old

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friends, and anything that I can ever do to help you I shall be glad to do.

I spent a few days this summer with the two daughters of Dr. Labaree, and one of them let me copy a slip of paper which they found in his Bible after his death. I am enclosing a copy herewith, as I know it will be of interest to you. He was a man of God, whose experience is all the more helpful and appealing to me because I know, through loving intercourse with him, that he struggled with the same temptations with which we all struggle, and was working up toward a richer and more tranquil life in God through the same difficulties which we all face. Here at home it is so hard to find time for such morning devotions as are indicated in his memorandum, but I presume that in whatever circumstances one may be it is possible to find time, if only there is the will to do so--to adjust one's time of going to bed so as to make possible the earlier rising which will give the time. I was thinking this summer on how prone we are to imagine that some other circumstances than those in which we are would be more favorable to our spiritual life.

I noticed how, in picking berries, one was always tempted to think that the next cluster of bushes was so much better than the one where one was picking, just as on the trout stream the fisherman thinks the hole where he isn't fishing will be better than the one where he is, and, as walking on a muddy road, one is always tempted to keep crossing from one side of the road to the other, thinking that the other side must be better than the one on which he is. Just so in our spiritual life, I do believe that our greatest loss comes from not perceiving that probably the circumstances in which we are are those in which our spiritual life can be best nourished, and that our difficulties are not so much external difficulties as simply weaknesses within our wills--sloth, negligence, and want of persistence and courageous faith. Surely, a few mornings spent as Dr. Labaree's memorandum indicates would give



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one strength to overcome the difficulties in the way of beginning every day with such strengthening fellowship with God.

With kind regards to Miss Jefferson and yourself,

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Sept. 18th.  
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THE AMERICAN LITERARY MISSION,

My dear friends:-

Dr. White expects to receive his letter from you, so that this is the last letter to the Mission which it will be my duty and pleasure to write.

I would report, first, the receipt of a cable-gram, stating that the Settlement had been separated from the Mission, and I trust that this way of solving a problem which has occasioned both the Mission and the members of the Settlement a great deal of perplexity may prove to have been in every way wise. I know it will not mean any diminishing of readiness on the part of the Mission to give the Settlement all possible help in its work.

I would report the appointment to the Settlement of Miss Mabel Milton and Miss Annie M. Galloway. Their support has been especially provided, in view of their going to the Settlement, by Mrs. William Norton, of Chicago, and the expense of their reaching the field or being specially met, in the case of Miss Milton by friends in the Central Presbyterian Church of New York, in which she has been active as a parish visitor, and in the case of Miss Galloway by various friends. As the date of their sailing has not been determined as yet, but they will probably be able to leave sometime in October or November.

Mr. Howard is not expecting to return to the United States from Africa, where he has been teaching this last year, but will go directly out to India from there. Mr. Upland may sail from New York on October 12th, but there is a little uncertainty as to his plans.



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At the meeting of the Board on Monday the following action was taken with reference to Mr. Kernan's relations to the Mission:-

In view of uncertainty as to the time of beginning his relations to the American Board, Rev. H. L. Kernan was authorized to continue his work in the Western India Mission for so much of the current fiscal year, after October 1st, as may be deemed desirable by Mr. Kernan and the Western India Mission, his salary to be continued so long as he remains in the service of the Board."

If it is mutually satisfactory to Mr. Kernan and to the Western India Mission that he should continue in the work of the Mission for the current fiscal year, the Board, I am sure, approve that Mr. Kernan's salary should be included in the estimates for the fiscal year beginning May 1st, 1908.

I am sorry not to be able to report the appointment, as yet, of a man for the industrial work at Sangli, but all letters would seem to indicate that Mr. White is carrying on his work there most efficiently. At the same time, we have about completed the testimonials of Mr. George Henderson, of Glasgow, and all the papers that have been received regarding him are very favorable. If we or anyone else is appointed for the industrial work, in accordance with the mission's request, for the appointment of such a worker, Mr. White will write to you.

Mr. Day showed me, not long ago, a letter from Mr. Richardson, with reference to expenditures beyond the appropriations and referring to a letter of mine on the subject. Mr. Richardson writes:-

"I might say here that if we are to understand from that letter of Mr. Spear's that we must not expect more than appropriation sent out, it seems that some work must be closed or we must pay for it ourselves or appeal to our friends privately, but this last the Board practically forbids us to do; so we are in somewhat of a dilemma."

The point referred to is fully covered by the Manual of the Board, which says clearly in Paragraph 18,

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"The Mission Treasurer is the agent of the Board for the distribution of the amount appropriated for his Mission, and is responsible to the Treasurer of the Board for all funds forwarded by him, these funds to be kept in a Bank or other safe depository approved by the Mission. No funds of the Board shall be loaned under any circumstances. There is no warrant for assuming liabilities on behalf of the Board, without the actual consent of the Board, and it is within its proper right to repudiate any such obligations. The acceptance of funds for deposit, and the investment of same in any form of security, must be avoided. The advancing of funds for the construction of chapels or in behalf of any individual, however urgent might appear to be the necessity, is unwarranted.

The principle of this Paragraph is to be strictly construed, their being no warrant for disbursements beyond the limit of appropriations, except in cases for which the Manual provides."

Where there are hundreds of stations, a comparatively small over-expenditure in each station means a very large aggregate, and as the Board has always to face the responsibility of a deficit because of the Church's gifts falling ~~at~~ below the appropriations for the year, it would be very imprudent and greatly to the disadvantage of the Missions themselves if this possibility of deficiency was increased each year by a large over-expenditure of the appropriations. It certainly is a difficult task which the Missions have to <sup>in-</sup>face, to make adequate appropriations cover so great and rapidly growing work, but the perplexity of the Board is the perplexity of each Mission multiplied by the number of the Missions; and I do not wonder, at times, that the members of the Board almost despair as they consider request after request, springing from great opportunities, and can say nothing except that the contributions of the churches are insufficient.

The Board hopes, as doubtless all the Missions are hoping, that there will be a large increase of contributions, due to the undoubted increase of missionary interest at home; but the strange thing is, that this increased interest at home has not as yet shown itself in a proportionate increase of the practical support of missions. This must come, or the effect of increased interest without increased expression will be positively injurious. And I believe it is coming, and that the



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scale of missionary giving is steadily rising, and that it is not a vain or baseless hope which we entertain, that the Church can be brought to accept seriously her ~~own~~ responsibility for the task of world evangelization.

I regret keenly laying down the correspondence with Western India. Some considerable work has been done, both for the proper housing of the mission and for the development of some of its institutions, for which help has been most urgently asked by the mission. I shall be glad to support Dr. White in every way that I can in moving for larger things!

I am sorry to have to report that we have not yet succeeded in getting in hand the money for the two medical out-stations of Miraj, which was promised by members of Dr. W. H. Miller's congregation in Bryn Mawr. I wrote to each of the donors some time ago at length, stating that the work is ready now to go forward, and would be glad to receive the money at once. But I have thus far heard from only one, and that reply is a little discouraging, although I still hope that the money will come.

Very possibly, in the case of the others, they have been away for the winter, and my letters will receive attention when they return in the fall.

I am glad to be able to report a special gift by Mr. E. O. Johnson, of Littleville covering the cost of a water filter and sterilizer for Dr. Johnson's work. These have been purchased and I hope will reach Dr. Johnson safely, in due time.

It is no easy matter to lay aside the correspondence with the Mission, even although it will go to an office only a few steps away on the same floor. Whatever failure there has been in my ~~correspondence~~ service to the Mission has not been in the will to be of help, and I shall continue to pray earnestly, even more than for any material equipment, that the Mission may be guided from above in all its plans, and that the living spirit of God may shape its plans and be present in them, and may

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raise up men from among the India Christians, who shall be men after God's own heart, speaking His Word and fulfilling His will, and especially that all the members of the Church may realize their privileges and duty, as the Korean Christians seem to realize, to make Christ known by word and by life at all times and to all people.

Dr. A. S. Wilson writes of the failure of the missionaries to receive copies of the Minutes of the home Assembly since the formation of the General Assembly in India. We have taken this matter up several times with Dr. Roberts, in behalf of the missionaries in Brazil and Mexico and elsewhere. Whenever the independent churches are formed and the missionaries unite with them, so that their names no longer appear on the regular roll of our Assembly, they have ceased to receive the Minutes. We have urged on Dr. Roberts the propriety of their continuing to receive them, and have understood from him that you would receive them.

We will take the matter up with him again.

With kindest regards to you all,

Your sincere friend,

Wm. A. Wilson.



September 26th, 1907.

Miss Sybel G. Brown,

Kodoli, India.

My dear Miss Brown:-

I am not going to tell you what the dates are of any letters of yours that I have still unanswered, because I am ashamed, but I would be still more ashamed to turn over the correspondence to Dr. White without having answered all the letters from the dear friends in the Western India Mission.

With reference to that \$120. for your living quarters, I would say that was given by personal friends, and I will undertake the responsibility of saying that whatever use the mission approves of that money, it can be made of it.

There is one point in one of your letters which I ought to refer to, I think, before filing it away. You say "I claim I was sent for a particular work to a particular place and prefer to remain there." This is in connection with your report of an attempt to transfer you to another station, to which you would not go. I think you are mistaken in this position. It is true that the Board had in mind a particular need which you could meet, but it is not true that it meant to deprive the mission of the right to assign any of its workers to any work. That is a right accorded to the missions by the Manual of the Board; and while the Board does not mean thereby to surrender its right to specify any individual's work, and while it did have in mind, as I say, a particular work calling for you,- it never has deprived the mission of the right to assign your station and your work in that station.

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I hope that you are quite well and strong now, and that you are feeling that you have found and have strength to do the work for which God sent you to India.

I have always had an especially warm feeling toward you and your work, because I felt that it was no little responsibility to take in encouraging your going out. I have not been sorry, however, and hope the future will show even more clearly how great and important a work God had for you to do in India. Dr. White will let me read, from time to time, your letters to him, I know; and if I can ever be of any help to you, please let me know.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated Sept. 18th.



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The Rev. Edgar M. Wilson,

Sangli, India.

My dear Wilson:-

This will be my last letter to you, I suspect, as secretary for the Western India Mission, unless, in some future year's, other readjustments are made in the offices. Dr. White, as you will see from the enclosed letter to the mission, takes up the correspondence next week. I want to pass it over to him, however, with no letters unanswered, and I want also to say, before this official relationship stops, that I hope you will remember that the personal relationship does not stop, and that I shall be happy, at any time, to hear from you and to be <sup>of</sup> any service I can to you.

I think the only letters of yours which are unacknowledged are those dated January 5th, February 8th, March 27th, June 6th, and your card of June 21st, stating that you are secretary of the Sangli station.

I was glad to read what you wrote regarding the statement of Mr. and Mrs. Kerman regarding the hygienic condition of Sangli. Others have written since you wrote of the conditions in the same strong way in which Mr. and Mrs. Kerman wrote, and I judge that they must be pretty far from ideal, and that something really ought to be done—but how bricks are to be made without straw is a problem just as hard to solve to-day as it was in the days of Moses.

I am very glad that Mrs. Wilson and the children have not been required to leave the field, and I trust that the condition of the children is better now even than when you wrote. I trust they may get entirely well.

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Is Kodai Kanal so much more healthful and helpful as a place of reinvigoration than Mahabaleshwar?

I was sorry to learn from your letter of June 6th of the deficiency on estimated receipts, and trust that, in making out the estimates for the new year, you will do so conservatively, so that there may be no such deficiency again. There are many such deficiencies, and, of course, the Board is obligated to meet them. The difficulty is that when there are surplus receipts, the missions are naturally reluctant to have them turned into the treasury of the Board, but urge their expenditure on some special necessity, of which there are always many pressing urgently.

I have not heard as yet anything from Mr. Graham regarding the money on hand in the Brownie Orphanage. I have spoken to Mr. Day about this, and shall speak to him again. Miss Johnson writes of her horror at seeing that 4275 Rs. are to be raised on the field from orphan funds and fees in connection with her children. She asks, "Is there any orphan fund from which I can draw?" I know of no reason why the funds held at Kodoli may not be properly applied to this purpose, or to the care of any famine orphans anywhere in the mission.

I see I have not acknowledged your note of June 5th referring to Mr. George Henderson, but I have spoken of him in the letter to the mission.

We have not received as yet the mission action to which you refer in your letter of \_\_\_\_\_ with reference to the request for a special appropriation for \_\_\_\_\_. As soon as that action is received, Mr. White will see that it is given attention.

I hope that everything is going well with you, and that you are able to keep your health under the heavy load that you are carrying.

May God spare your life and make you strong for His service.  
Ever faithfully your friend,

Dictated Sept. 18th.



Mr. E. M. Wilson—3—Sept. 27, 1907.

P.S. Since writing the above your letters of August 23rd and 30th have been received. I can only say what I have said above, that we have never received the action of the Mission with reference to the special appropriation for rent at Kodai Kanal, regarding which you said in your letter of May 24th that you were starting a circular letter around the Mission. I will give all these letters to Dr. White, and he will bring the matter up, but I hardly see what the Board can do. It has gone beyond the limit of conservative judgment in the appropriations for the year, and it will be perilous for it to add additional obligations which are not covered by special contributions. Will not the fact that you have so many less missionaries this year and yet have just the same appropriation in native currency, put at your disposal some funds which would be needed for these missionaries were they still living or upon the field, and so provide, in part at least, for the rent expense at Kodai Kanal?

I wish it were possible to look for relief in the direction of which you speak, but that question had to be faced sometime ago, the question, namely, as to whether, when the children were away from home on the mission field, they ought not to have \$150. allowed, just as though they were in the United States. It was found, however, that once that step was taken, there was no place where the line could be drawn consistently, because there were many conditions, not only imaginable but actually existent, which seemed to constitute on the field as strong a claim for the increased allowance as though the children were in the United States. It seemed that the only fair and impartial thing to do was to abide by the rule, which a few years ago increased the allowance for children at home with both parents on the field by the amount of \$50.00.

As I have said, however, Dr. White will be sure to bring the whole question up again, only I hope that by that time some action of the

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Mission may be at hand.

I hope that you will not give me up as a correspondent entirely, but, now and then at least, there may come a note from you.

I, also, have a note from Mr. Alexander. I hope that by this time you have been able to get a full estimate of him, because it will be far easier for you to get at the qualifications of a man who is on the field, and, of course, if he is thoroughly qualified, the expense of travel and outfit would be saved by employing him on the field.



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Dr. Winifred Heston,

Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Dr. Heston:-

I have been about as poor a correspondent as anyone could have, and, so far as you personally are concerned, you would be justified in rejoicing at the change which gives you another secretary, because I have been very remiss. But my thoughts of you and your work have not been as few as my letters to you, and I shall ask Dr. White for news, from time to time, of you and what you may be doing.

I hope that you are very well, and that your work, although it is not what it was in the Miraj, you still find, as I have no doubt you do, ample opportunities for useful service.

There was nothing that I could have said in the way of assurance regarding the development of the hospital work in Kolhapur. I am sure that the Board would not feel able to undertake anything of the kind, when almost every branch of the work already established is clamoring for more adequate support. For my own part, believing that our primary work is the establishing of a strong native church, and that there are opportunities for doing far more in this direction in the different countries than we are now improving,--I believe that for the next few years our emphasis should be in this direction, and we ought to maintain adequately the work we have, medical and otherwise, in that great as the opportunities are for enlargement of such work and for the relief of suffering and the enlightenment of ignorance and the improvement of living,--the thing which presses most upon us is the expansion of the

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agencies which will promote the growth and development of the native church.

I read on the trains this summer, for the first time, Lockhart's "Life of Sir Walter Scott", and learned lessons of diligence and fidelity and loving cheerfulness there. What a wonderful picture of a cordial, tireless, and honorable life it is. When well on in life, he found himself liable, through the incompetence of others, for a debt of \$750,000. Instead of becoming bankrupt or asking for any favors, he went manfully to work to earn money. When the calamity broke, one of his friends, who had gone to see him at his invitation, says he found him writing in his study. He arose and said, "My friend, give me a shake of your hand; mine is that of a beggar." He told the story of the ruin that had come, and added, "Do not fancy that I am going to stay at home to brood idly on what cannot be helped. I was at work upon 'Woodstock' when you came, and I shall take up the pen the moment I get back from court." So, in the midst of anxieties on account of his wife and daughter, he went courageously ahead. The toil on which he engaged cost him his life, but he saved his honor and his self-respect, and won the glorious adoration of men. And soon his wife died, and he writes:

"I will go to town on Monday and resume my labors. Being now of a grave nature, they cannot go against the general temper of my feelings, and in other respects the exertion, as far as I am concerned, will do me good; besides, I must re-establish my fortune for the sake of the children, and of my own character. I have not leisure to indulge the disabling and discouraging thoughts that press on me. Were an enemy coming upon my house, would I not do my best to fight, although oppressed in spirits? and shall a similar despondency prevent me from mental exertion? It shall not, by Heaven! This day and to-morrow I give to the currency of the ideas which have of late occupied my mind, and with Monday they shall be mingled at least with other thoughts and cares."

He had on a sun dial in his garden at Abbotsford the three Greek words, "For night cometh", the words which Mr. Samuel Johnson had in his watch, both of them quoting them from our Lord's saying, "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work." When his doctors told him he must not work any more, he answered,



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"As for forbidding me not to work, Molly might as well put the kettle on the fire and say, now don't boil." And to his son-in-law, when he ventured to address him in a similar strain, he replied:

"I understand you, and I thank you from my heart, but I must tell you at once how it is with me. I am not sure that I am quite myself in all things; but I am sure that in one point there is no change. I mean, that I foresee distinctly that if I were to be idle I should go mad. In comparison to this, death is no risk to shrink from."

All this he did just for honor's sake. Under how much greater motives ought we to be working, and how much more diligently ought we to work until the night cometh and our work here is done.

With kind regards and wishing you well in all things, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated Sept. 18th.

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Miss E. A. Foster,

Kodoli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Foster:-

The good letter which you wrote after reaching India is before me now. It is one of the last unanswered letters I have from the Western India Mission, which I am answering now before handing over the correspondence with the mission to the new secretary, Dr. White.

I wish you might have met him while you were at home. You may have done so, as he was a member of the Board and was in the offices frequently; but if you didn't, you will soon know him through your correspondence.

I met sometime ago an old friend whom I met first when he was a student in a college in Kansas eighteen years ago. He told me that, just six weeks before the day we were talking, his wife, who was his all, had been taken from him, after ten years of perfect fellowship. Later, he brought me a little Memorial which he had prepared of her, with photographs of her and of their home, and bits of poetry, and some appreciations of her influence and work, and some of the addresses. He told me that her last commission to him was, "You will have to stand for both of us now, but they have been ten beautiful years together, haven't they, Comrade?" I was very much interested in some of the incidents and comments in the Memorial. The pastor who married her wrote of the wedding:

"When she gave herself, she gave all the wealth of her affection and life, for time and eternity. This was most beautifully illustrated in the marriage ceremony, when she added to the usual vow, 'till death do us part,' the words, 'and after, if God choose.' This naive expression of her ideal for marriage--an eternal and indissoluble union--presaged the rarest intellectual and spiritual comradeship. It is seldom that two spirits so congenial in every respect, love of nature, art, literature and the highest



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Ideals in life, are united in marriage. The most cherished endearment between them was "comrade."

Her last pastor said:

"She was a great sufferer. That room for three months past has been the scene of a most heroic struggle for life. She had no fear of death. She wanted to live. Life held much for her. This world to her was beautiful. She was passionately fond of nature. In her delirium she was soothed and quieted by whispered stories of the woods and of the singing birds and the fragrant June breeze and the music of the water-falls. She took long deep breaths as if out in it all again and was quieted. She looked forward with eagerness to canoeing and tenting on Wisconsin lakes and rivers this coming summer as a part of last was spent, and had plans made for six summers in advance. But most of all this life was beautiful to her because it was full of life and love and opportunity to help. Lord Shaftsbury said when dying, 'It pains me to go away and leave so much suffering in the world.' She could appreciate that. A high-souled English nobleman wrote in his diary when at school, 'If there are any good wars in my day I shall attend them.' She wanted to be in the fight for righteousness to help the good cause."

Some of the brief appreciations, which Mr. Naylor, who is a professor in a college in Wisconsin, put in the book were:-

"You always take your girls for what they want to be more than for what they are."

"Years from now I shall say in response to some commendation: Yes, I had a long talk with Mrs. Naylor one day and she made me believe in my possible self."

"It always makes me feel better just to run in and have a few words with you."

"Your words of encouragement, and the dear, sweet way you said them, braced me up when I needed it most."

"I know that many of the girls feel with me that you love and understand us better than anyone, and it's easier to talk things over with you than with anyone else."

"She believed in me when no one else would and I've tried to do right because she trusted me."

"I owe my present peace in Christ partly to the fact that when in doubt she said to me: 'If ever I get to Heaven, I shall expect to find you as close to the throne as myself.'"

"Her life had a value and a force which does not cease with death, and may even be increased by that event."

"She suffered so much uncomplainingly and still had a life full of sunshine for others."

I confess to feelings of shame at my own impatience and harshness whenever I think of the large numbers of those saints, who, through such suffering and limitation, are enabled by Christ's grace to live a life of triumphant gentleness and love.

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It was so good to get to know you a little better when you were at home last on furlough, and, with best wishes for God's blessing on all your work, I am

Your sincere friend,

Dictated Sept. 16th.





April 1907.

U.S. I have spoken to Mrs. Wood regarding Mrs. Mather's gift, to which you refer in your letter, and which I think you have the impression to be a special gift outside the appropriations. The check for \$200. came just at the close of the fiscal year, ending April 30th, 1907. It came to Mrs. Wood in a note from Mrs. Mather, in which she asked to have it credited to the church. We assumed of course, naturally, that it was to be a regular contribution, as the Board only feels obliged to report in its report with amounts which are applied to the regular appropriations. Mrs. Wood has let me see a copy of her letter to Mrs. Mather, which was as follows:-

"Your note of April 29th covering check for \$200. for the mission fund at Vangurde will be credited to the First Church of Vangurde, and the receipt will be sent you free from the Treasurer's office. The check was received just as we were closing our books on April 30th. It was credited with Mr. Speer in connection with it, and we decided to put it in the receipts for 1906-1907, because the estimates for Class VI (hospitals and dispensaries) for that year, and the \$200. is included for the regular work within the estimates. The \$200. is allowed for Class VI, and this gift will help to help meet the church's pledge for that particular work for the year. If you wish to have the \$200. sent to the Treasurer for his own personal use in his work, kindly let me know, in order that the credit may be taken from our books and the money sent to him. In that case, however, the church would not receive credit, nor would the fund be helped by it."

Not hearing from Mrs. Mather in reply, we assumed, of course, that the amount was available to cover the appropriation for the current year in Vangurde.

I wish that all special gifts might be sent out as extras, but that would simply mean that the only money available to meet the regular appropriations would be taken away, so that the regular appropriations would have to be reduced by the amount of the special gifts. In that case, the missions would be just where they were before, save that they would be worse



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off in the loss of my sense of security. The board's public  
appropriation under the present plan affords.

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The Rev. W. H. Hannum,  
6153 Lexington Avenue,  
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Hannum:

Dr. Stanley White has now come into the office, and is taking up  
the correspondence. I will have sent you from my office, however, a copy  
of the Annual Report.

With kind regards to Mrs. Hannum and yourself, I am

Your sincere friend,

*[Faint handwritten signature]*

Dictated October 7th.



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Rev. A. W. Marshall,  
1308 Monterey Street,  
San Luis Obispo, CAL.

My dear Mr. Marshall:

Mr. Day has handed me your letter of September 16th.

I am very sorry to learn of Mrs. Marshall's ill-health, and the impossibility of her return at this time to India. Do you think you will not be able to go back now until the Fall of 1908? We have not been able to present the matter to the Board yet for its judgment, in the absence of any medical certificate. Has Mrs. Marshall been under the care of a physician? If so, will you not kindly have him send us a certificate as to her condition of health, expressing his judgment as to the possibility of her return to the field either this Winter or next Fall?

If her doctor can certify that she will surely be able to return next Fall or that she cannot go back before then, I think the Board will be ready to grant the extension of the home allowance until that time. — If you can do any work which you can take up meanwhile, which would release the home allowance for use in the work on the field.

You know how urgent the need on the field is now. I think there are only five retained men at present, and Mr. Jensen was expected to withdraw on October 1st. I believe, however, that he has given this up and will continue for the present. When you and Mr. Hannum and Mr. Wiley get back, with the two new men who go out this Fall, the force on the mission will be almost doubled in comparison with what it is now, and there is a possibility, also, of Mr. Tedford's return.

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The Rev. A. W. Marshall - 2.

A change has been made in the office arrangements here, so that Dr. Stanley White, the new Secretary, has charge of the correspondence with the Western India Mission. I am sorry to have to give it up, but my interest will continue just the same.

With kind regards to Mrs. Marshall and yourself, I am

Very cordially yours,

*William E. Patten*

Dictated October 7th.



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The Rev. H. A. Kernan,

Ratnagiri,

Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mr. Kernan:

Following the cable message which was sent to you on Oct. 1st as follows: "Reinstated subject Mission Approval," I write to say that at our Council meeting this whole matter of your resignation and re-assignment was talked over with the result that we cabled you as above. At this distance it is of course impossible for us to be so familiar with all the factors in a case such as yours that we can act independently of the Mission, and it has always been our custom to deal with such questions subject to mission approval. I most sincerely hope that what we have done will be in accord with the best interests both of yourself and your wife, and also the work at Ratnagiri. I can understand how there might be questions in your mind that would make you feel a little restless in the work, but I have always discovered in my own experience that sometimes the quickest way to settle such questionings is to plunge deeply into the work and let them quietly simmer for a while. They seem to have a way of settling themselves. I hope if you do remain permanently in the work at Ratnagiri that I shall be privileged to hear from you as often as possible so that I may learn more of the immediate work that is under your hand. Having been appointed as Secretary for the West India Mission, I want to come into as close touch with the individuals in the Mission and with the work as it is possible, and must rely upon you all.

I had the very great privilege of meeting Mr. Underraff who was at the Conference of Missionaries this last spring and who is to be one of your fellow laborers. Also I have for a good

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many years been exceedingly interested in the work of the Kedoli School because of the fact that the young people of our church in Orange were making their contributions to that work. I therefore do not feel entirely strange to matters that are of closest interest to you.

Trusting that Mrs. Kernen will improve in health and that your problems may find a natural and speedy solution,

I remain,

Very sincerely yours,





October 29th, 1907.

Miss Marie Gauthey,  
134 West 17th Street,  
New York City.

My dear Miss Gauthey,

I enclose, herewith, our Treasurer's acknowledgment for the \$10.00 received through you from Miss Hatchinson.

I hope that the West Church may take up the matter heartily, if it has not already done so.

I am going away Monday for a trip among the Synods, and shall not be back for something over two weeks and shall look forward to seeing you if I can be of any service. I am glad that the way is open at last, and that it will not be long now before you and Miss Chilton are on the field.

Very cordially yours,

Dictated October 29th.

Enclosure.

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October 10, 1907.

Rev. J. P. Graham:

Kodoli, Bombay Presidency.

India.

My dear Mr. Graham:-

In reply to your letter of August 28th, I would in the first place thank you very much for your cordial word of greeting, and say that I appreciate exceedingly the welcome which you give to me in my new office. I shall certainly count it a favor if you will keep me in as close touch with the work as is possible, so that I may have a sufficient knowledge to serve you in the best way.

With reference to Mr. and Mrs. Kernan, you have probably already been informed of the cablegram which they sent as follows:

"Reinstated subject Mission approval."

The Council in discussing this matter felt that at this long distance it was not possible to know the full fact of the case, and yet we did not feel that the matter ought to be delayed. For this reason we followed our usual custom of throwing the decision back unto the Mission and shall await further word from you with interest.

I can readily understand that such questions as have arisen in the case of Mr. Kernan fill the members of the Mission with great perplexity and <sup>only</sup> trust that the passage of time may help to solve the points which are in doubt.

Trusting that sometime I may have the pleasure of meeting you, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



October 9th. 1907.

To the Members of the  
Western India Mission.

Dear Friends:-

As one of the pleasantest duties that comes as I take up my work as Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, I write this word of cordial greeting to the members of your mission, which has been assigned to my care. Though many of you are known to me by name, I have not had the privilege of meeting you face to face, and yet I somehow feel as if I had a right to labor in your behalf. Dr. Wilson's sister has taught my daughters in their school in Orange, and the children of our Sunday School have for some years sent their contributions to the Kadiya Schools. As best we could we have tried to learn about the work, and so when I was told that Western India was to be my charge I accepted it with delight.

I trust that you will keep me fully informed as to all the needs of the mission, and I will do all in my power to make the work efficient and hasten the day when the fruits of your faithful labors shall appear yet more abundantly. It will also be a great joy to me if our correspondence could contain enough of a personal nature so that we can escape the purely official relation which, while it must exist, should always be kept subservient to the closer ties which must bind together all Christ's workers. Be sure my dear friends, that all that interests you will be of interest <sup>and</sup> moment to me, and that in your service I shall labor and for you I shall pray. May God richly reward your labors and guard, not only those of you who are upon the field, but all who are dear to you in the home land.

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It is a great joy to us here at home to hear of the success of your work, and we are praying earnestly that all obstacles that stand in the way of progress may be removed by the power from above, before which nothing can stand as a permanent obstacle. I am having an interview to-day with Mr. David B. Updegraff, a splendid young fellow, who will soon start for your part of the world and I trust that in him you will find one who can greatly strengthen your working force.

Praying for God's richest blessing upon you, I remain

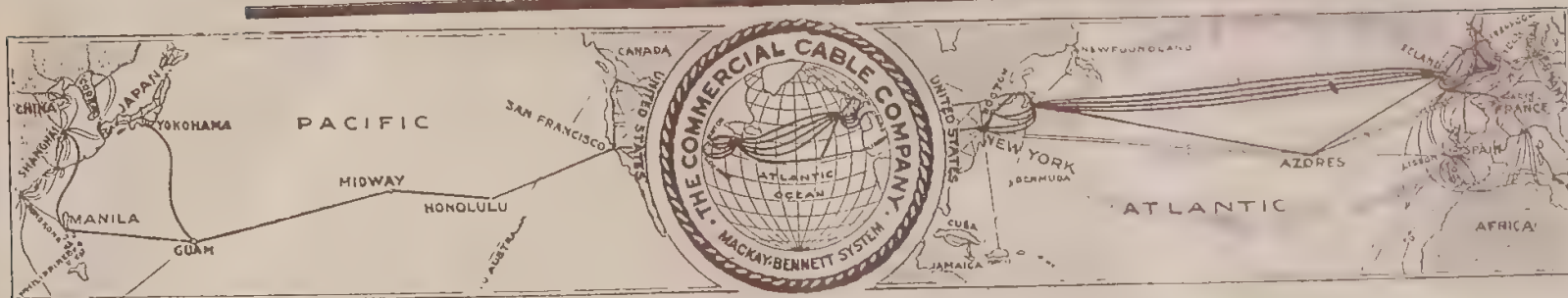
Faithfully yours,

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# CABLEGRAM



October 4, 1907.

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SEND THE FOLLOWING CABLEGRAM **"VIA COMMERCIAL"** SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK HEREOF WHICH ARE AGREED TO.

**Kernen.**

**Ratnagiri.**

**Reinstated subject Mission approval.**

*Write to Kernen*

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**Dr. White.**

PLEASE READ CONDITIONS AT BACK AND WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR REFERENCE.

October 21, 1907.

Rev. Edgar M. Wilson,  
Sangli, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Wilson:-

Your letter in reference to your children's allowance has been placed in my hands as the new Secretary for Western India.

You may be sure that my heart is full of sympathy for you in this perplexing situation. I can readily understand how urgent this matter is and I wish it were in my power to say just what my heart prompts and tell you to go ahead in your plans. There are, however, one or two serious difficulties. There are certain rules of the Board which it is almost impossible, and certainly very <sup>in</sup>unwise for us to run counter to, one of them being that, all such ~~spe-~~<sup>special</sup> cases, action shall be taken at the request of the Mission itself. As we have not received this as yet we seem to be prevented from acting for that reason.

Another difficulty in the way is that your request apparently runs counter to the provision of the Manual, the last paragraph of page 14. Our position in regard to these matters has been taken as a result of the other question you raise, having been put to us by the missionaries on some of the other fields, and there is a great danger in doing what you ask. We might be establishing a precedent that it might be difficult to repeal. For these reasons the Council in consultation decided to await the direct request from the Mission and in the meantime I trust that you will find it possible to keep the children in the healthful surroundings where



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they are, and until I hear from you, not decide to take any radical steps such as separating the family or sending them home.

As soon as Mr. Speer returns from his visits to the Synods I will consult with him and in case he suggests any other and better answer I will communicate with you instantly. I need hardly say that if he could see some other way out of it I should be only too glad to be able to fall in line with him.

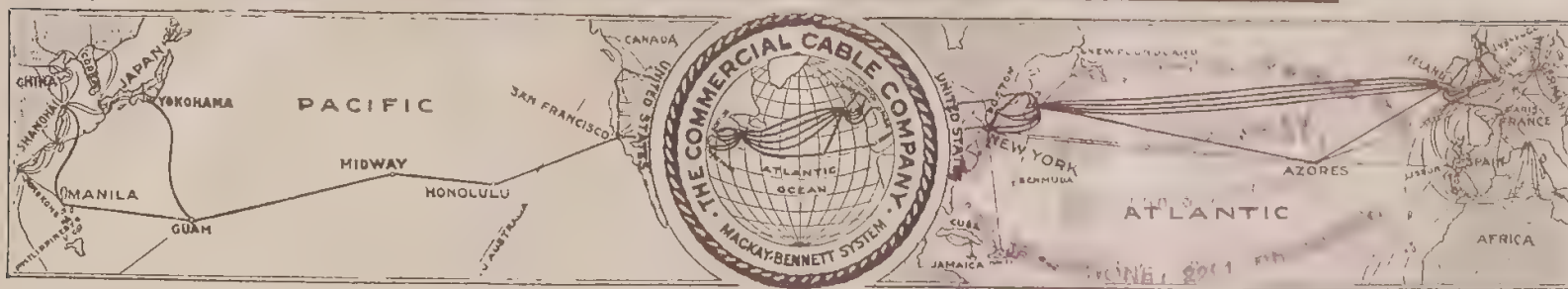
Trusting that you will understand the spirit in which I have written, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Stanley White, D. D.

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# CABLEGRAM



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SEND THE FOLLOWING CABLEGRAM **"VIA COMMERCIAL"** SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND  
CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK HEREOF WHICH ARE AGREED TO.

Richardson,

Miraj.

Dappoco Sangli. Databas.

Translation: At present we do not know of an available man for Sangli.

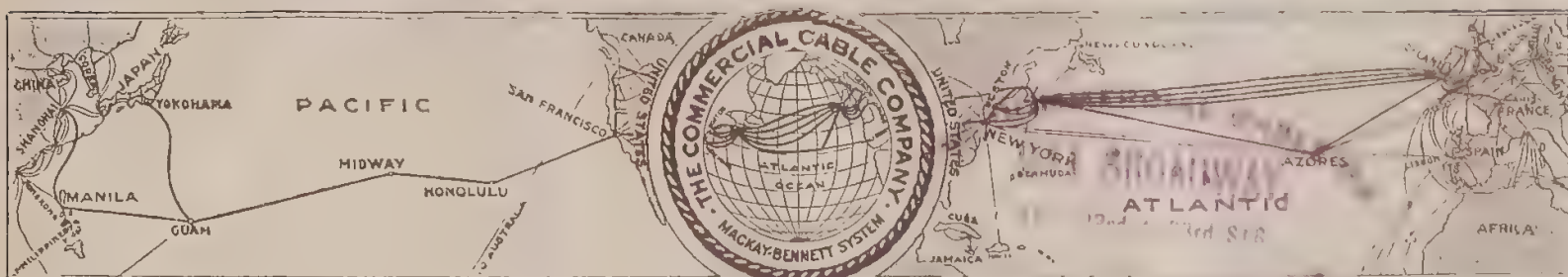
Assistance will be sent as soon as possible.

PLEASE READ CONDITIONS AT BACK AND WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR REFERENCE



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# CABLEGRAM



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SEND THE FOLLOWING CABLEGRAM **"VIA COMMERCIAL"** SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK HEREOF WHICH ARE AGREED TO.

Richardson

Miraj.

*Indira Fata*

Raptus Imitavano Bungalow. Politiquas Imitatrix Vengurle.

Translation: \$1,500. available for Bungalow building and \$300. available now for new Hospital at Vengurle.

PLEASE READ CONDITIONS AT BACK AND WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR REFERENCE.

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October 2, 1917.

Dr. R. H. Gonsen,  
Vengurle, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Dr. Gonsen:-

You have already received my cablegram in regard to the special appropriation for the work at Vengurle and also for the Government Sanatorium Hospital.

I write just a word at this time to tell you that we rejoice in this new opportunity of equipment which has come to you and trust that it will be not only for your comfort, but for the further and successful prosecution of the work. I am always tremendously interested in anything that ministers to the comfort of the missionaries in their home life, for I think that one of the greatest influences that can be exerted, is through the establishment of Christian homes in distant lands.

I shall be very much interested to hear more in detail of your work and the use to which this money is put. With kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Stanley White



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October 12, 1917.

Rev. J. P. Graham,  
Kodoli, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Graham:-

I take great pleasure in writing to you of the special gift that has been made to the work at Kodoli. In the report of the Presbyterian Mission Hospital which I recently received, there was a list of needs indicated, among others, an Isolation Ward for Contagious Diseases. The estimated cost of the Ward was put down at \$66. While speaking to one of our Sunday Schools, that had been interested in Kodoli, I mentioned this fact and they promptly sent me the \$66. with the request that the Ward be built as soon as possible. This request has not yet appeared in the formal Mission reports the money being a special gift, and for that purpose has been procured. The Sunday School also desired to know if they could have the privilege of naming the Ward. I told them I thought that that could be arranged, but have not yet heard from them in regard to this matter. It is barely possible that this need may have been met in some other way and if so I should like to know.

I received a letter recently from Mr. Wilson in response to one from Mr. Speer asking for information as to the amount of money held for elephants in the different stations of the Western India Mission. He reported for the Sangli Station. Although it may have come before I took up my work in the office, I do not find a record of a response to this request of Mr. Speer from the Kodoli Station. Could you let me know in regard to this at your earliest convenience?

Rev. J. S. Grubb: 5.

Hoping that the above action in regard to the Isolation Ward  
 will be acceptable and serviceable in your work, and with earnest  
 desire for the success of all your labors, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



November 8th, 1937.

Mrs. R. B. Richardson,  
The House, Miraj, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mrs. Richardson:-

It was a great pleasure to me to receive from you almost the first, personal letter that I have received from any of my dear correspondents among the missionaries that have been placed under my care. You speak of the Western India Mission as one of the most prosaic, with no scenery, no historical places of interest and no travellers. So far as I am concerned the Western India Mission has been one that I have known rather more familiarly than some of the others, for a number of years, owing to the fact that the Sunday School of the Church of which I was pastor, has had specific relation to it. It also has happened that almost all of the records for the field that have passed under my hand have been for Western India, so that through them and with them I have studied something of the field.

I am happy to say that generous friends have already, since I came into the office, made contributions for special work in the Western India Mission, one for the hospital at Redoli, and at the last meeting of the Board two appropriations were made for work at Miraj, one of £400. for the laboratory in the Miraj Hospital, and another of £300. for the Medical Out-Station of the Miraj Station. So you see that the work which is close to your heart has come closely under my supervision.

I am interested and somewhat troubled by what you say of the plague and the closeness of its ravages to your work. I do earnestly pray that all of the workers may be protected, and that your full strength may be given to serving others. I can readily understand how hard it is, when the cries are so importunate, for you to feel your inability to answer them all. Fortunately for us who are engaged in the Master's service, we know that He knows and so if we do our full duty and work up to the end of our strength, we can trust the rest to Him. I do not feel that it is practical for us to allow ourselves to worry over the things that are beyond our full

Mrs . R. S. Richardson, -2-

strength. The only way to keep firm this is by buttressing our faith every day by earnest prayer and the study of God's Word.

I note what you say about the inter-relation of the members of your Mission, and which is as a large family of brothers and sisters. I do not believe you could have described an ideal station in a better way. Often times the problems are hard of adjustment even in a family, but mutual love helps them all to be settled.

I thank you very much for your wishes for a happy work, and I look forward with pleasure to my correspondence with you. I shall always be glad to hear from you, not only about matters official, but to know in detail about your every-day life, for I want to keep as near to you as I can.

With earnest prayer for blessings upon you and yours, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

*Wm. H. ...*



November 8, 1907.

Mr. H. A. Kerner,  
Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Kerner:-

Although we have not as yet received the Mission report, the Board acting upon your letter of September 12th, and also upon information received in other letters, voted on Monday, provided your Mission approved, that they would consent to the arrangement suggested by your letter, namely to permit you to remain in the work of the Mission after October 1st and until March 1st, 1908, under salary from this Board, but not as regular members of the Mission.

This would seem a very wise and proper course for you to take. May I add that in letters received from other members of the Mission I have heard of the very loving interest that your co-laborers feel for you, and their great disappointment that it seems necessary for you to withdraw. I have come so recently into the office that I do not know the full circumstances, but if the reasons for your decision are not inevitable, I would suggest that you reconsider them. Often times questions that seem exceedingly important and vital settle themselves if one plunges deeply into work and waits for the passage of time.

I have, in the course of my ministry, had one or two of my friends, becoming restless, who have gone into other and sister churches, but with very few exceptions I have not found any of them absolutely correct, but after a few years they have con-

Mr. H. A. Kernen: 2.

deemed to me that had they stayed, it would have been better. I only speak of this, not to intrude my opinion, but to suggest a course of action, which I am sure your Christian character would enable you to carry out. One of the conquests of life is made when a man learns to live with those who differ from him, making much of things that bind together, keeping silent, unless they are matters of deepest principle, about things which divide.

Trusting you will understand how I have written, and with kindest regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

*Wm. W. Allen*

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November 20, 1907.

Rev. Edger M. Wilson,  
Sangli, India.

My dear Mr. Wilson:-

Your letter is just received marked "private and confidential" and I have filed it with other papers relating to the same matter. I can easily understand how there might be some personal complications if Mr. Alexander were appointed to the work at Sangli. My disposition would be to advise some one else going there. The only thing that makes me hesitate is the need of sending some one as speedily as possible. Were you aware that Mr. Alexander is still apparently in India? A letter from him dated October 24th is marked Rutlam, India. This, of course, will make a delay, even if we should appoint him, as we must get his papers from India and communicate with him after they have been passed upon by the Board.

Under these circumstances I shall hope to hear from you at once so that the information may be of use in deciding this question.

Very sincerely yours,

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November 11th, 1907.

The Rev. A. W. Marshall,  
Box 41,  
San Luis Obispo, Cal.

My dear Mr. Marshall:

The correspondence with the Western India Mission has already been transferred from my office to Dr. White's, but I have one or two notes from you, neither answered nor filed away as yet, and before filing them I want to send you just a word of farewell as your official correspondent. I have been very happy in the association of these past years, and rejoice in the unclouded confidence which has marked all our correspondences. I am sure that you will find in Dr. White the most careful and sympathetic of supporters, and anything that I can ever do I shall be happy to do to help you and the Mission.

With reference to the matter of appeals for objects outside the appropriations, as to which you wrote in one of your letters, I would say that the matter came up before the last meeting of the Board in connection with some requests from the Central China Mission, and the following action was taken:

"The action of the Central China Mission to the effect 'that the Board ought not to assume additional responsibilities until it can properly care for the work already in hand,' was reported to the Board, and it was voted to express to the Mission the Board's consent to this principle and to say, also, that the Board felt that the Missions should co-operate with it in securing adequate support for the work already undertaken before making further special appeals for matters outside the appropriations, with the understanding that if any Mission, through its representatives on the field and at home on San Diego, could in co-operation with the Board secure provision for the Mission's entire budget for the year by special gifts, the Board would then cordially approve of and co-operate with special efforts by such Mission for additional objects."

It is a great problem as to how to bring the Churches up to the adequate support of the work, but I believe that the problem is entirely solvable if we will all work together.



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My dear Mr. Marshall, I am glad to hear that  
the new little one is coming and will - and that Mr. Marshall is getting steadily,  
I am

Very sincerely yours,

Richard Henry Lee 20th.

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November 21st, 1901.

The Rev. A. L. Wiley,  
1130 Ross Avenue,  
Wilkesburg, PA.

My dear Mr. Wiley:

Your good letter of October 10th came while I was away among the Synods. I want to thank you for it.

I am very sorry indeed to be giving up the correspondence with the Mission, although I am sure the Mission will not suffer, but will get the most devoted and sympathetic attention from Dr. White.

I am glad you are having such good times among the Churches, and are doing such good work. Regarding the "specials," I think you will be interested in an action taken by the Board at its meeting on Monday, with reference to a request from the Central China Mission:

"The action of the Central China Mission to the effect 'that the Board ought not to assume additional responsibilities until it can properly care for the work already in hand' was reported to the Board and it was voted to express to the Mission the Board's earnest assent to this principle and to say, also, that the Board felt that the Missions should co-operate with it in securing adequate support for the work already undertaken before making further special appeals for matters outside the appropriations, with the understanding that if any Mission, through its separate activities on the field and at home or through, could in co-operation with the Board secure provision for the Mission's entire budget for the year by special gifts, the Board would then cordially approve of and co-operate with special efforts by such Mission for additional objects."

I had a long talk with W. James Cochran of the Yang-an Mission the day with you in the Synod campaign, and I think he sees the matter in what seems to me to be the right light. It is a great problem as to how to bring the Churches up to the adequate support of the work, but I do not believe that it is an insurmountable problem if we will all work earnestly together toward its solution.



Mr. Wiley - S.

Washington, D.C. 20540

Yours faithfully,

Richard M. ...

November 22nd, 1907.

Alexander S. Wilson, Esq.  
Rochester, New York, U.S.A.

My dear Mr. Wilson:-

I am glad to be able to acknowledge the receipt of your letter and narrative reports from Toluca, San Juan, Mexico and other stations, also the report of the Village Committee, and the personal reports of the missionaries. I have read them over with the most intense interest and find that I was beginning to know general knowledge of the work, but I was less enabled to see your problems through your own eyes. I am glad to appreciate the coming of the Mission, which have not yet arrived.

Very truly yours,  
Alexander S. Wilson



Miss Bertha C. Johnson,

Sagli, B.M.A.,

My dear Miss Johnson:

I have turned over the correspondence with the Mission to Dr. White, but I did not turn over to him your letter of June 21st, desiring to answer that as well as all the letters from the Mission before relinquishing the correspondence. And furthermore, I wanted to answer the "sacrifice" question in the beginning of your letter, which related to the current appropriations for the year. You wrote:

"Your letter of April 30th about appropriations has just reached me to-day, and I am literally horrified to see that I am expected to raise Rs. 4275 from Orphan funds and fees. 'There it is to come from I do not see.'"

The appropriation as sent, is an exact copy of the estimates as sent to us by the Mission. I think if you will speak to Mr. Wilson, as you have long since have done, the matter will be cleared up, - From the Orphan Funds on the field, still in the hands of the Mission and from the Orphan Funds in New York, which are available toward the support of about 210 orphans. We have been trying to find out just how much there is on the field, and Mr. Wilson has already reported for Sagli, but we have not heard as yet from Kodali. I presume that

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the clearing up of the matter of

I believe it will be all right.

Dear Mr. White,

I have just received your letter of the 21st and am glad to hear from you. I am sorry that I cannot write you more fully at present, but I am so busy with my work that I have not had time to do so. I shall, however, try to get some news to you in the next few days.

I am glad to hear that you are still in the States. I hope you will continue to be so for some time to come.

I have not had much correspondence with friends to whom I have written, some of them, for so many years, but there will be no lack of sympathy and warmhearted co-operation on Dr. White's part, and I shall always be ready to do anything within my power.

With kind regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dr. White



November 26, 1907.

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Mr. [unclear],

My dear Mr. [unclear]:

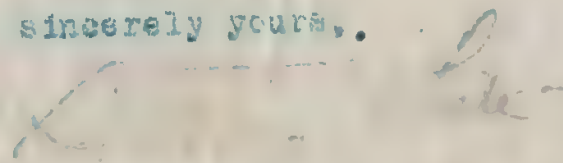
I hasten to send just a word hoping that it will reach you for Christmas, to tell you that Mr. E. O. Emerson of Titusville, Pa. has followed his usual custom of sending a small sum of money to distribute among his orphans in India. I quote from his letter:

"I wish to send about 10 cents apiece to my India Orphans and for that purpose enclose a check for \$25. I sent Miss Fenton \$10. a few weeks ago for her 33 children in India."

I understand from Mr. Speer that this will be self-explanatory, and that knowing that Miss Fenton has already had her share supplied, you will execute this commission for Mr. Emerson.

May I take this chance of wishing you, and all the other members of the Western India Mission, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year?

Very sincerely yours,



This money you can draw from the Treasury and charge to the Treasurer in New York, to the India Famine Fund.

Nov. 12, 1911.

Mrs. A. A. Kernen,  
Konaigiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of October 28th. is at hand. I am glad that your relation to the Mission has been so satisfactorily arranged and that you are to remain until September. I am silently hoping that by that time the situation may have changed so that possibly Mrs. Kernen may feel that the duties which fall to her lot as a missionary's wife will not be irksome, and that possibly you may feel like remaining longer, if in the judgment of yourself and the Mission this seems wise.

The letters which have come from the Mission are brimful of their deepest needs and I have followed the story of the past year with great pleasure.

Kindly regards to Mrs. Kernen and tell her how much I appreciate her faithfulness to the care of her numerous family of orphan children. I do not know of anything that is more worthwhile than being a mother to these little youngsters who have so little joy in their lives.

I am waiting with eagerness the minutes of the Mission Meeting, so that I may be able to know just what the needs are for the coming year.

I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Wiley the other day, and shall hope to have a conference with him about the work.

Sincerely yours,



December 6, 1907.

Rev. Alexander S. Wilson, M.D.,

Kodali via Lohitapur,

India.

My dear Mr. Wilson:-

Just a word to acknowledge the receipt to-day of the minutes, four additional copies of Mission action in re "changes in the Manual", the Statistical reports, further personal letters and the estimate sheets. I shall await with interest your letter by the next mail and then bring all matters pertaining to the Mission before the Board, and hope that I shall be permitted to grant your requests in so far as we are able to meet them from a financial standpoint.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

December 20th, 1907.

R. H. Goheen, M. D.,  
Vengurle, INDIA.

My dear Dr. Goheen:

I send just a brief word in reply to your letter written November 20th, to say that I will make note of the requests that you mention, in making out the estimates for the new year.

I have been exceedingly interested in reading over the Minutes, and through them I am getting a clearer vision of the work.

It was indeed a pleasure to me to be able to announce the additional \$1500.00 for the bungalow and the \$300.00 for the medical work. If you knew how hard it was for us, with the appeals that always reach our hearts from the Mission fields, to postpone granting requests purely on the money ground, you would not envy our work, particularly at the time when we are considering estimates. We have, however, to balance requests from one place and another, and as far as we can, grant the most needy. I shall be exceedingly interested to hear the report of the Property Committee, after they have been to Vengurle, and to know that the work of building has begun. It surely is not right that contributions for permanent work should come out of the missionaries' own pocket, but from my experience as pastor I know that when a thing is urgent, it is folly to tell those who are interested in it not to make sacrifices.

With kind regards, I remain

Very sincerely yours,



December 20th, 1907.

The Rev. Henry Arthur Kernan,  
Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency,  
INDIA.

My dear Mr. Kernan:

I found your letter of December 13th on my desk to-day, and although I had in my mind that I had already sent you my congratulations on the birth of your little daughter, Helen, the letter was not marked as having been answered, and feeling that there may have been some slip in the midst of a voluminous correspondence, I send this either as a first congratulation, or as a postscript to one already on the way.

I rejoice with you in the new life that has come into your home, and that God may spare little Helen for many years, and that through your love for her you may learn, more and more, of the meaning of the fatherhood of God and His love for you.

I am glad that Mrs. Kernan is so well, and am constantly hoping, as I have already written you, that there may come some turn in affairs so that you will be able to stay permanently in the work.

With kindest regards, and wishing the blessing of God upon you and yours, I remain

Sincerely yours,

December 31, 1907.

Mr. D. B. Updegraff,  
c/o Thos. Cook & Son,  
Paris, France.

My dear Mr. Updegraff:-

Your letter dated December 14th has just reached me and in accordance with your request I hasten to answer it.

If I understand your proposition aright, it is that instead of stopping for any period in Ceylon, Burma and India, you wish to linger a little longer in Italy, Palestine and Egypt, substituting this for your India sojourn, the result being you will get to the field even earlier than you had expected. I do not see any reason why you should not do this, if it adds no expense to your trip which you cannot perfectly well meet yourself. As I understand it, all the time which you take out of your trip over and above the time which would get you to the field in the shortest way, is something that the Board has nothing to do with, save to give you permission to delay arriving at your destination.

As they have already told you that you could reach the Mission field by the first of March I think that covers the matter. It was, of course, right of you to consult with us so that we could know just where you were and what you were doing. The only possible objection to this might be from the fact that the time spent in Ceylon, Burma and India might be regarded as more helpful for your future work. You will have to decide this but I know that you would not for one instant, for the sake of more sight-seeing, substitute anything for that which would make you more efficient in your work.



Mr. D. B. Updegraff: 8.

I was glad to hear from you and to know a little bit of your sight-seeing. I remember very well the impression made upon me by the Cologne cathedral, in fact I carry with me as one of the pleasantest memories of my life, a trip which I made through England and on some other parts of the Continent for no other purpose than visiting the cathedrals. It is wonderfully impressive as one goes into little town after little town and sees the massive structures, built so many years ago, and then realizes that according to the teaching of Christ, the outward and visible structure is the object of the least importance.

Trusting that you are well, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

*D. B. Updegraff*

December 31, 1907.

Dr. R.H. Goheen,

Vengurle, Bombay Presidency,

India.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Goheen:-

I was rejoiced to-day to hear through your cablegram of the new joy that had come into your home and that there had been no complications and that Mrs. Goheen is so well.

As I look at my own little family of children and remember the sigh of relief that came to my heart as I welcomed one and another into the world, I know just exactly how much of anxiety is mingled with the joy that comes at such a time. I do hope and pray that the little daughter may be spared many years and that you may come to the time when the thought of all the service which you render as parents to her shall be merged into the joy in what she is able to do for you. In fact such time is often not long in coming. When we think that as we look into the faces of our little ones and remember the teaching of Christ that 'only as we become as they are shall we enter into the Kingdom of Heaven,' we are sure that they have a very blessed ministry to us right at the beginning.

Trusting that this little one born at the time of the celebration of the birth of the Christ-child may forever be the dearest of comforts and joy, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



January 2, 1908.

Rev. Edgar Wilson,  
Sangli, India.

My dear Mr. Wilson:-

I fear there has been a slip somewhere either in my memory or in the mail for by this time you should have received word from me in regard to the matter of a man for the industrial work at Sangli.

George Henderson led us on with the full intention of going and we gathered his papers and suddenly he wrote to us on September 24th stating that he would have to withdraw his application as he was going to Australia. We immediately took up the matter with Mr. Alexander and I thought I had written to you that there would be necessary delay because of the fact that instead of pursuing his plans and coming to this country he had remained in India. I also wrote to you in response to the suggestion that there might be complications if he was sent back to Sangli, owing to some social difficulties, and because I had received from some of his friends here an indication that it would be wiser for him not to return. However, if you feel that he is the right man for the place, I will suggest to our Board that they send him directly to you without waiting for the regular papers to be filled out.

These he can fill out afterwards and if they are not satisfactory we can send some one else to take his place. If he is willing to do this I see no objection in the way. Regretting exceedingly the delay in this matter, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

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January 2, 1903

Miss Miss Skilton,  
Islampar, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Miss Skilton:-

I am sending you herewith a personal record blank for information which we keep filed in the office in order that we may have our records complete. May I trouble you to fill it out and return it to me at as early <sup>a</sup> date as possible?

I have often thought of you since you started and of our talk together at lunch and am wondering how it all seems to you now as you take up your work at Islampar. I shall await with eagerness letters from you letting me into the inside feelings that came to you as you reached your destination.

We are all well here at the office and in sending you this formal request, I take this opportunity of wishing you the very brightest of New Years.

Very sincerely yours,

P.S. I enclose a blank also for Miss Ganthey to fill out.

Will you kindly give it to her and greatly oblige?



January 6, 1908.

Mr. A. W. Marshall,  
San Luis, Obispo,  
California.

My dear Mr. Marshall:-

Your letter to Mr. Speer dated, November 21st, has been put in my hand as Secretary for Western India.

May I, before taking up the matter of the letter, say just a word of personal greeting to you and also send you and Mrs. Marshall and the little Margaret, my best wishes for the new year. I trust that by the time this reaches you Mrs. Marshall will be in much better health.

Turning to the request of your letter for an extension of the furlough I would say that in considering the matter in Council, the suggestion was made that we follow in your case the same course that we have followed recently in another case. We would like to have you get from your physician in addition to the certificate already sent a statement that is so clear that it would be akin to the promise, that after a few months more rest, the date to be distinctly stated, Mrs. Marshall will be able to go back to the foreign field.

You can easily see how necessary it is for us to guard the possibility of finding at the end of the protracted furlough that the health conditions are such that it would not be wise for you to return at all. We should face that problem now and then with all frankness and fairness and tenderness arrange for your future. As soon as I hear from you in this matter, I will communicate with

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you as to the possibility of the furlough being extended.

I appreciate exceedingly your readiness to turn back to the Board such money as you may earn in preaching and in other ways, and I assure you that our caution in this matter is only the result of the absolute care that we find it necessary to exercise in keeping a watch on the treasury of the Board.

Again expressing my kind regards and best wishes, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



January 7th, 1906.

Miss D. E. Patterson,  
Miraj, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Patterson:-

At last I am able to answer your question which has come to me through Mr. Day, in the matter of your farlough appropriation. I have been compelled to write you in this manner because the situation has now complicated by the same request coming from twenty or more other missionaries whose cases are similar, and the detailed appropriation that would be required amounting up to nearly six thousand dollars, gold. It was necessary, therefore, that all these cases should be considered together by the Board, and yesterday, January 6th, this was done. The outcome of our discussion has been that we have to in essence, turn the matter back upon the Mission. Our financial position is such at the present time that an appropriation amounting to six thousand dollars, gold, would be almost impossible, but we do not on the other hand wish to deny the privilege of return of all those who have made application.

Our action has, therefore, been in the nature of a compromise, and we are suggesting to all the missions that so far as possible those who have a right to return should determine their action by their own conditions. If, in the opinion of the missionary doctor, health requires that you should return, you may do so and the matter of your expenses will be cared for. If possible however, we would prefer to have your farlough postponed until the regular time and have the cost of farlough included in the estimates for the new year for all those who are to return within the next year.

I feel that while this action is not just what you would like and will probably be a disappointment to you, it is the only thing that is possible for us to do at the present time. I will quote the exact wording of our resolution when I have received it from the Board.

Very sincerely yours,

January 7th 1908.

Mrs Winifred T. Heston, M. D.,  
Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Dr. Heston:-

At last I am able to answer your question which has come to me through Mr. Day, in the matter of your furlough appropriation. I have been compelled to wait until now because the situation has been complicated by the same request coming from twenty or more other missionaries whose cases are similar, and the detailed appropriation that would be required amounting up to nearly six thousand dollars, gold. It was necessary, therefore, that all these cases should be considered together by the Board, and yesterday, January 6th, this was done. The outcome of our discussion has been that we have to in a sense turn the matter back upon the Mission. Our financial condition is such at the present time that an appropriation amounting to six thousand dollars, gold would be almost impossible, but we do not on the other hand wish to deny the privilege of return of all those who have made application.

Our action has, therefore, been in the nature of a compromise, and we are suggesting to all the Missions that so far as possible those who have a right to come on furlough under the new rule should determine their action by health conditions. If, in the opinion of the missionary doctor health requires that you should come, you may do so and the matter of your expenses will be cared for. If possible however, we would prefer to have your furlough postponed until the regular time and have the furlough included in the estimates for the next year for all those who are to return within the next year.

I feel that while this action is <sup>not</sup> just what you would like and will probably be a disappointment to you, that it is the only thing that is possible for us to do at the present time. I will quote the exact wording of our resolution when I have received it from the Board.

Very sincerely yours,



January 8, 1908.

Mr. David B. Updegraff,  
c/o Thos. Cook and Sons,  
Paris, France.

My dear Mr. Updegraff:-

Your letter written on Christmas Day has just reached me and I hasten to answer it. I am frank in saying that its contents have given me some little anxiety because of the serious questions which are raised.

As to the first, namely, the possibility of your changing your plans and going to Korea instead of India, I can only say that I see no reason at the present time why you should contemplate such a change. It was with the deepest seriousness that the whole matter of your assignment was made, and so far as human judgment was concerned it seemed to be the leading of Providence that you should go to Western India. There has nothing occurred to change our opinion on that matter. The special effort that is being made at the present time to send recruits to Korea is only in its initial stages and we have no certainty at all that our desires can be carried out in the immediate future. Transferring you from Western India to Korea would seemingly be crippling one phase of the work to strengthen another. My advice, therefore, is, and in this advice the rest of the Secretaries concur, that you hold to your original proposition until some perfectly plain and clearly indicated suggestion comes to you which can be interpreted as the leading of Providence.

In regard to the location in Western India, I have just received the Mission Minutes and they have decided that you are to be located at the Kolhapur Station. I trust that you will be able to carry out your present



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and reach the field by the first of march and take up your work as a life work. I know you will understand me when I say that from my own ministerial experience the most dangerous thing a man can do is to be looking over the fence into some other field after he has once made his decision to take up a particular form of work. It undervalves him for the energetic and vigorous labor which he owes to himself, to his fellow men and to his God.

In regard to the second question raised, in your hypothetical case, I feel that I must answer very seriously, feeling sure that you would not have put such a case unless it were on a very real situation. I am sure you will understand me when I say that the Board of Foreign Missions is very loath to interfere in any way with questions that relate to the affection of the heart. There are some things, however, which ought to be said in regard to this matter. I cannot imagine the Board acquiescing in advising a man to go to the foreign field in case his wife were not in sympathy with the main proposition that underlies his life work, namely, the belief that a man's paramount duty was to preach the salvation of Christ throughout the whole world. We should look very skeptically at any one who for any reason had not looked seriously upon that life to have formed some relationship to the Christian Church. Even in the event of a man's wife paying her own expenses and being absolutely independent of the Board financially, we should hesitate to permit one who did not look seriously at this whole question to take up work on the foreign field. In fact it is only recently that we have rejected a man's application for fear that there might not be sympathetic feeling on the part of his wife.

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I think however, that this is a severer interpretation of the situation than is warranted by your letter. I simply speak of it so that



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I may draw a sharp line at the point where the Board could not acquiesce. It is a surprise from your letter, a woman who had previously been apathetic in the question of missions should have her heart awakened through her relationship with a man to enter into his work, and would feel that honestly she could become a member of the Christian Church, we would simply require that she fulfill the conditions ordinarily imposed upon a missionary's wife and pass the physical and spiritual examinations. We regard the wives of missionaries in a sense as associate workers. Their first duty is, of course, to the family and to the husband but you will see by the Manual that we expect them as far as strength and wise permits to enter into the work.

Coming down now to the specific case I would remind you that you were appointed to the Mission field as a single man. The money was appropriated on that basis. It is the expectation of the Board that you go to the field under those conditions and I do not see at the present moment that it would be possible to make an additional appropriation so that you could go as a married man. If you or the one who should be your wife could provide the entire extra expense, that is another matter and I do not think the Board would hold you to your original intention. I think this will answer the main question that is in your mind but I feel impelled, my dear Mr. Updegraff, to say just a word in addition and of a more personal character. Of course, I do not know all the situation and therefore may be unable to enter with the fullest sympathy into your thought, but it does seem to me that as a friend I should say just a word of caution about any precipitate haste in such a vital matter as you have raised. It would seem to me far wiser that you should go on to your work with the knowledge of a possible future joy awaiting you and begin your task in that spirit, than that you should suddenly and unexpectedly assume responsibilities that are of the very greatest and most tremendous moment, because



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I feel that when a man is once married his primary duty is to his wife and children. I therefore, may be more insistent that he should enter upon such responsibilities in the most cautious way and with the deepest heart-searching and prayer. To be happily married is the greatest joy and strength to a man that is possible; to make a mistake is to cripple one's whole life. If it seems to you, my dear friend, that I am encroaching on ground where I ought not to, I trust you will pardon me, but I cannot help but say just what is in my heart. Should you see fit to follow this advice and go on to the field alone, and after a year or so desire to return to this country to marry the woman who had patiently and devotedly waited for you, I am sure the Board would grant you permission to do so, for it has again and again listened to this plea, and while it requires the man to meet the expense of travelling it has been the custom to permit the journey.

With earnest prayers for your guidance in this matter and trusting that you will understand that I am writing to you not as a Secretary entirely but as I would write to a close personal friend, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



January 11th, 1908.

To the  
Members of the  
Western India Mission.

My dear Friends;-

As I sit down to write my first letter in response to your Annual Mission Meeting, I send you my most cordial greeting for the New Year and congratulate you upon the amount of work that has been accomplished. Not only am I impressed with the amount of work but with the spirit in which it is carried on. I think that Mr. Wiley's characterization of the Western India Mission must be true. He said, "It is more like one family than like an ecclesiastical organization. We often differ as members of a family differ, but we always get together again."

Taking up the Minutes in their order, I would say in the first place, that the Board approved the appointment of the Rev. Robert C. Richardson as Treasurer of the Western India Mission. That we also noted in the circular business the formal announcement that the Mission and the Village Settlement had been constituted separate bodies. I do not recall all the steps that led up to this, but as far as I have looked into the matter I should not think that there would be anything more than a nominal difference between the two bodies; particularly as I note that the members of the Village Settlement were invited to sit as corresponding members in accordance with the suggestion of the Board on September 25th. I trust that by this time Miss Gault and Miss Skelton have reached the field and that they are taking up their work as rapidly as possible. For a good many years I have been associated with Village Settlement work here in this country and have long since felt that the establishment of a Christian life in a community was as real an opportunity for influencing the surrounding neighbors as one could find. I do not know of course, whether the same principles would follow in India as here, but should imagine that they were not very different.



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Taking up next the matter of the request for an appropriation of 924 rupees for freight and travel for Dr. Heston and Miss Patterson, I repeat for the whole Mission what I have already written to Dr. Heston and Miss Patterson. There has no question come before us that has given us more concern, and the delay in answering has been due to the many conferences we have had on the subject. Similar requests came from so many of the Missions for those who were adopting the shorter term that we found the total expense which would have to be met by a special appropriation was between six and seven thousand dollars. This, under our present financial condition was almost impossible.

On the other hand, if we let the matter run over into the next year we would have to provide in one year for the double charge, both for outgoing and return expenses. The result of our deliberation was that, the Board voted to authorize those furloughs which the Missions or their Executive Committees believe to be required on health grounds, on the basis of physician's judgment, or so necessary for other considerations that they cannot justly be postponed. For such furloughs thus approved the Mission Treasurers are authorized to advance the funds for the home journey. The Board hopes that others may be postponed until the next year, when they can be provided for in the appropriations for the year, and would request the Missions to notify the Board immediately as to who will come this year and who next, so that the necessary items can be included in next year's appropriations. Practically this means that we have had to throw the responsibility in a measure, back upon the Mission and we feel sure that you will discharge this responsibility with every caution and with all wisdom. It would help greatly if the President or Secretary of the Mission could forward at once a complete list of all furloughs which are to be provided for in the fiscal year 1908 - 9, indicating the time of departure for America and return to India. You may be sure that we appreciate fully what a disappointment this will be in many cases, but I can in turn assure you that this disappointment is only a reflection of our own, we having to ask this consideration from those who are already doing so much.



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Taking up as one item the matters of the Property Committee and those that have to do with the auditing of accounts, I would say that these have been by the Council, referred to the Treasurer for adjustment and as soon as he reports I will notify you, or he himself will do so, in regard to the action of the Board in such cases as is required, namely, the authorization of the Board's Attorney to pay Mr. Fernandes' bill for legal services, the request to give up to the Mahars the land claimed by them on the west side of the Mission Compound at Kolhapur, and the request for a special appropriation of rupees 3204 to meet the over expenditure in accounts.

In regard to the recommendation to the Board that Dr. Wanless be the Board's attorney, I understand that Mr. Wilson had already been appointed. Is there any reason why Mr. Wilson prefers to have Dr. Wanless take his place? If not, I presume that we will let the appointment stand as made.

It has interested me very much to note the report of the Home Mission Committee of your Mission. Whenever I read of the work that is being done by the natives it seems to me that I can see in the future the time when the work of Christ will have established itself so strongly that all danger of its ever being withdrawn because of any lack of earnestness on the part of western people will be over. When the time comes in which we shall be permitted to see a native Christian church in each land, we can indeed join in a halleluiah of praise.

When we received the minutes and noted your final action with reference to Mr. and Mrs. Kernon, which was taken in accordance with our cablegram, we brought the action of the Board into accord with it by passing the following resolution,-

"That the action of the Board on November 4th, regarding Mr. and Mrs. Kernon be re-considered in order to bring it in accord with the Mission action taken at the Annual Meeting, and Mr. and Mrs. Kernon were reinstated as regular members of the Mission."

In order that this matter may be perfectly plain before you I quote also our former action, which was taken at the suggestion of letters from Mr. Kernon,-



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"The Board authorized the payment of the salary of Mr. and Mrs. Kernen of the Western India Mission should they remain in the work of the Mission after October 1st., and accepted the suggestion of the Mission that they be not regarded as regular members of the Mission, This arrangement to have the approval of the Mission and to terminate March 1st. 1908."

This of course, is now set aside and Mr. and Mrs. Kernen are reinstated in accordance with the later action.

In regard to the term of service in the Konkan portion of the Western India Field, the Council report to the Board as follows,-

"That the Western India Mission so replied to the Board's letter of December 19th. 1906, and has reaffirmed its decision that the term of service in the Konkan portion of its field be placed in the point of term of service and furlough with the Missions in Siam, Laos and the Philippines."

This is, therefore, a matter of record and complete action.

I note in the Minutes the Mission's general approval of the proposition to take over the work in the Satara District from the American Marathi Mission. In talking with Mr. Wiley about this he gave me some reflection of the reasons for and against this proposition and it would seem to me that it should be taken up with the greatest care by the Mission. I am sure that with Dr. Wanless, Dr. Gaheen and Miss Jefferson as the Committee, the whole matter will be wisely issued. Anything that will strengthen and enlarge our work, and that is conducive to a more rapid extension of the Kingdom of Christ, while at the same time not involving an expense greater than can be wisely cared for, makes a very strong appeal.

I note also the action as to the Committee's report on a college in the Maharashtra. It is a pretty big proposition and one that those of you on the field know so much more about than those of us at a distance, that I hesitate even to express the slightest personal opinion. From general principles the establishment of Colleges seems to me to be involved with the question of union work. Surely there should be every economy in the matter of expense and facility, and just as far as it is possible for one Institution to extend its work, and the students be brought to it even from a distance, would be wise. While speaking of this I might quote to you some questions that came to my desk to-day from one of the young men with whom I have been corresponding in regard to the industrial work at



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Sangli. It shows you the kind of questions that a man is expected to answer and also how difficult it is for us to procure just the men that we want. The young man asking these questions, so far as I can find out, is a noble young fellow, but I fear he has rather enlarged ideas of what we are asking of him. However, it might be wise for your President or someone appointed for that purpose, to give me a little light upon some of these questions. The young man writes as follows:-

"I want to know if you could possibly tell me a few facts concerning the school and the work. -

- First - Is the work such that it would make a life-long occupation.
- Second - Could the school be enlarged in size and in scope of work so as to possibly become a large college.
- Third - Are there any other colleges in Sangli.
- Fourth - How far advanced is their Mission work.
- Fifth - Would the Industrial School work have any relation to the other Mission schools or work.
- Sixth - How is the school financed.
- Seventh - Would I be expected to finance the school.
- Eighth - Is not English spoken to a very great extent.
- Ninth - Would I need to know another language before I could take charge of the school.
- Tenth - What is the financial remuneration."

You see from these questions how important it is even when I have sent an account of the industrial work and described it fully, to be sure that the person receiving the letter will grasp the true situation.

In regard to the action of the Mission in the matter of the licensed auditor, I assume that the last sentence of the action in which you say that, "The Mission would say that since a third member has been appointed on this auditing committee, thereby preventing difficulties which used to arise, there appears to be no need for the employment of a chartered accountant in this Mission. Also that the auditing of accounts twice annually would cause much unnecessary work and expense," considers the substance of your reply to the Board's communication. I have referred this matter to the Treasurer, together with similar reports from other Missions and they will be taken up together in due time.

I read with very great interest the report of the condition of the various branches of the fund, and while it was a little hard for me at first to understand the exact situation, I feel after conversation with Mr. Spear and the Council, that I can say that the Board appreciates exceedingly the care in which the report is made, and while



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we recognizing the varying opinions that were reflected in the report, we feel that the final action was considered wise. The Board, therefore, at its meeting on December 16th, took the following action. They approved paragraph #7 of your report as follows:-

"In the opinion of the Mission the support of children at other Stations in the Mission than Kadoli, from the funds of the Brownie Orphanage will be provided these children be enrolled in the Brownie Orphanage."

The Board also instructed the Treasurer, Mr. Day, not to forward any more money from the famine Orphan fund until all now held by the Mission or Stations on the field is used.

I trust that this matter will settle some of the perplexing questions, and enable us to reply to those who are asking as to the exact condition of this famine fund. Only the other day a gentleman interested, was in my office speaking of this very matter, and seemed greatly pleased and relieved when I told him of the action of the Mission.

I note also the election of Mr. A. B. Marshall as delegate to the next meeting of the General Assembly in the United States. I am at present in correspondence with Mr. Marshall, who has asked for an extension of his furlough on account of Mrs. Marshall's health, and shall hope when I reach the Assembly to meet him, so that little by little I shall learn to know personally the various members of the Mission force.

I have made a note of the order in which new property is desired, and also of the request for new missionaries, and as soon as we take up the Appropriations for the new year, will give them the fullest consideration. It is necessary as you know, for us to wait in these matters until all the Mission Minutes are in our hand.

I think this completes the technical part of your letter and I would merely add that it was also my pleasure at the last meeting of the Board to have an additional special appropriation of \$400. made for the Mirej Station, this being a special gift for one of the out-stations. Similar action was taken at a previous meeting, the amount being \$300.

I am writing to-day a little late, perhaps, but with none the less satisfaction



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and pleasure, a card to each member of the Mission, containing a year text. In the letter accompanying it I have explained my reason for doing so, and I most earnestly hope and pray that in accordance with the suggestion of the texts, your labor during the year, though urgent and sometimes burdensome, may be carried on without that anxiety which often times is just the added straw that takes away ~~the~~ the joy of all our work.

With an earnest prayer for God's blessing upon your work and with a very frank request that if in reviewing these Minutes I have left undone anything that should have been considered, or have not dealt with the matter in a way that is helpful, that you will not hesitate to let me know, and I will try and rectify any mistakes. With every coming year I shall hope to increase in efficiency ~~and~~ in <sup>ing</sup> care for your interest.

Very sincerely yours,

Stanley White

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January 16th, 1908.

Dr. Alexander S. Wilson,  
Kodoli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Dr. Wilson:-

I am writing you in reference to the Isolation Ward for your hospital at Kodoli. I have received a letter from the Rev. Grayton K. Powell of Brighton, Colo., stating that he desired to give the \$60.00 which would enable you to build this ward and that he desired to make it a memorial for his little daughter who died. By the time this letter reached me a similar appropriation had already been made by the Hillside Church Sunday School of Orange, N. J., of which I was formerly pastor. Not only had the appropriation been made but the money sent, with the request that the ward be named after the Sunday School, namely, Hillside Church Sunday School. Realizing how keenly Mr. Powell wished to make this offering I wrote to the Orange Church and asked them to release it and give me permission to use the money which they sent for some other purpose relating to your work. This they did gladly, so that you are now at liberty to communicate with Mr. Powell and find out from him just what he wishes the ward to be named.

As the net result of this transaction is that your work will have not only \$60.00 for the ward, but \$100.00 besides, I do not suppose you will object.

Trusting I have made this matter clear, I remain

Very sincerely yours,



Dr. A. S. Wilson. -C-

P. S.-- While writing to you I should mention that I have received your letter of December 16th, in regard to Mr. Alexander. As soon as you determine that he will be an available man for your work I will see that the matter is attended to at this end of the line. I believe we have had some preliminary correspondence with him, but we should ofcourse, expect him to fulfill the regular conditions as to examination of health, etc. Perhaps it might be wise for me to enclose to you the medical certificate and the formal application blank, which you can have him fill out and return to me for filing.

I trust that this matter will soon be settled and you will be relieved of what is incongenial and interruptive work.

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January 23rd. 1908.

A. S. Wilson, M. D.  
Kodoli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Dr. Wilson:-

Your two letters dated December 17th, and December 19th, are at hand. By this time you have received my cable in regard to Dr. Hoston's furlough and by the time you receive this letter you will have the answer of the Board in this matter of furloughs. I was considerably troubled in regard to Dr. Hoston's request, for she wrote that word had been sent as she supposed in the former, and felt that the delay had been here. Your letter, therefore, was rather a comfort to me as I did not remember having received any request from her at that early date.

We faced the question of furloughs with very great anxiety and did the best we could under the circumstances. I know that the Mission will be wise in judging of the necessities in the case and we shall do all in our power to carry out the provision of our action.

I rejoice with you in the news which is contained in your letter and trust that the little girl who arrived on November 15th, will be a great joy and comfort to you, and that her life may be spared for many years. I have often thought of the extensive power of the parents' hearts and that no matter how many children were given them they seem to be able to give all their love to each child and in doing so learn an infinite amount about the love of the Father. I will report the little girl's arrival here at the Board and there will be others besides myself who will desire to congratulate you.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Wilson, I remain

Sincerely yours,



January 24th, 1908.

Miss Belle Graham,  
Kodali, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Graham:-

I thank you for the printed copy of the "Brownie Orphanage," I have read it with very great interest and I should think that your own heart would be comforted by such results as appear in the account which you give of the little ignorant waife who fell under your care. It has often come to me in my ministerial experience to wonder how far it was right to urge young people to act independently of their parents, but I should think there would be no doubt in such cases as you recount and which must be very frequent. To cleanse and purify a child and then deliberately give her back to customs that are degrading seems a very poor kind of service. However, little by little your work will tell not only upon the child, but upon the older ones and the difficult questions will become less and less frequent; at least, I hope that my thought, which is borne not of knowledge of conditions, but of the certainty which is in my heart that nothing is too difficult for solution with the help of Christ, will be true.

I shall look forward with pleasure to seeing you when your family return in the spring.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

February 13, 1908.

To the Members of the Western India Mission:

My Dear Friends:-

The following actions have been taken in recent meetings of the Board and which bear upon your work. On January 6th

1. " A special appropriation of \$400. was made to the Miraj Station this being a special gift of Mr. H.O. Wilbur of Philadelphia for an out-station at that place."

In regard to this and the previous gift of Mr. Austin of Rosemont, Pa. of \$300. I am asked to state the exact condition of this gift, so that the Mission will understand that it is not one of the regular appropriations of the Board but dependent upon the annual good will of the two friends of the Mission, Mr. Wm. L. Austin of Rosemont, Pa., and Mr. H.O. Wilbur of Bryn Mawr. So far as we know they will continue these gifts with each returning year upon our application, but the Board has not underwritten them and the Mission ought to understand the possibility of their being withdrawn.

When I take up the estimates for the coming year I will note if you have included these in them and will write to Messrs. Austin and Wilbur accordingly. If you understand the condition and have not included them in your regular estimates, I should be glad to know just what the amount is for the coming year and how the out-stations can be designated so that I can keep track of them.

At the same meeting January 6th, we reported as follows:

2. " That the Western India Mission had replied to the Board's letter of December 19, 1906, and had re-affirmed its desire that the term of service in the Konkan portion of its field be classed in the point of term of service and furlough with the Missions in Siam, Laos and the Philippines."

I have already written to you the action of the Board in connection with the furloughs which fall due this year under the new rule of short-



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and furloughs but I repeat again how much we have felt the difficulty of this problem and how we have entered into the feeling of those on the field who would be effected by it. I hope that it will be adjusted before long in a satisfactory way.

On January 20th we took the following action which I think you will understand as I give you the explanation of it.

3. "The Council recommended that with the consent of the Hillside Church S.S. that the appropriation made October 21st for the Isolation Ward at Kodoli, be charged to Mr. Grayton E. Powell who has made a special gift of that amount in memory of his little daughter and that the gift of the Hillside Church be held by the treasurer for other work at Kodoli Hospital."

This came about in the following way: After we had notified you of the gift of the Hillside Church S.S., we received word that Mr. Powell had been in communication with the Mission and wanted to give this gift as a memorial to his little daughter Margaret. While I regretted to do it still I felt it wise to write to the Hillside Church which was my former pastorate, and ask them if they would release their gift and let it be used for something else at Kodoli. They not only did this out of sympathy for Mr. Powell, but increased their gift to \$100. and that amount is now here for use at Kodoli. If you will notify me of some specific need that it can be used for.

The Isolation Ward at the request of Mr. Powell should be called "The Elizabeth Powell Ward." I believe this concludes all the action with reference to the work in your Mission. I am looking forward with pleasure to meeting those members of the Mission who are shortly to return to this country, for it helps us very much to come into personal relationship with them.

I will not add to this official letter any farther word except to wish you God speed in all the labor which has fallen to your hand.

Very sincerely yours,



February 27, 1908.

The Rev. D.B. Updegraff,  
c/o Thos. Cook's Sons,  
Rome, Italy.

My dear Mr. Updegraff:-

Your letter of February 9th is at hand, and I am sending you herewith the blanks you desire.

I am glad that you received my last letter in exactly the spirit in which I wrote it, for I assure you I have been deeply sympathetic in the problem which has come into your life. Indeed it is a hard question for a man to solve for nothing is more fatal than for one's affection to be divided. Until you are able to feel that the young woman of whom you speak has decided the question of her life-work in the most honest and fair way, without being unduly influenced by her relationship to you, I would move very cautiously and slowly. I am not one of those who feel that in every case a man should turn his back on his affection and pursue his determination to go to the foreign field in spite of every other consideration.

There may be times when the other question that has come into your life might be as the voice of God indicating that the path which we had chosen was not the one along which we were to walk, but you can be perfectly certain that if you should turn back from your determination to be a missionary for any other reason than that you believe it is God's desire and because you feel that you can serve him better, you will, in all probability regret the decision.

In so far as the Korea matter is concerned, we can take that up at a later time for I do not think it ought to be a factor in the great decision you and Miss McFarlane are making at the present time.



Rev. D. B. Updegraff;

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I will write to Miss McFarlane within a day or two and trust that she will interpret my letter as coming from one who is only desirous of serving you both. As I told you before, I am perfectly certain that no harm will be done if you go right on to your work and arrange for your marriage at a later time, if it is so ordered by kindly Providence.

Very sincerely yours,

March 9, 1908.

Rev. D. B. Updegraff,  
Kolhapur, Western India.

My dear Mr. Updegraff:-

I received your letter of February 17th and executed your commission.

You may be sure that I will be ever ready to serve you in any way I can, and I do pray that a happy solution may come to the situation which has arisen in your life. This is just a word to let you know of my interest and approval of your course, and to tell you that I shall be glad to hear from you at any time.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



March 17, 1908.

The Rev. A. W. Marshall,  
Cayucos, California.

My dear Mr. Marshall:-

I have waited until the Board took action to reply to your long and satisfactory letter in regard to your future relationship to the Board.

I can assure you we appreciate the situation in which you find yourself and yet you can understand how necessary it is for us in fairness to the work and to all the other missionaries that we should not bear expense indefinitely for those who are very possibly not to return to the field. I am sure from my short experience here that the Board is never in danger of erring on the side of carelessness of the missionaries' interests. Our only thought is to champion their cause and often times we subject ourselves to a good deal of criticism from the fact that we carry expenses long after an ordinary business institution would feel it was not right, but we like to err on this side.

In presenting your case to the Board, after it was found impossible to maintain the allowance for you and your family beyond the present time, the following action was taken:

" That the furlough of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Marshall having expired, and there being no definite knowledge of the time when they can return to the field owing to Mrs. Marshall's ill-health, that the Board while leaving them on its list of missionaries inform them that it cannot continue the home allowance, either for them or for their children, the Treasurer being instructed to pay the home allowance up until March 11th."

The Rev. A. W. Marshall: 2.

I am sure that you will understand that I personally have sought to enter into your problems with full sympathy and would be glad if I could in any way serve you at any further time.

I trust that in your present place you may find an opportunity to work and that Mrs. Marshall's health may be perfectly restored, so that if you desire to return to the field you can take the matter up at any time.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



March 16th, 1908.

Miss Grace Wilder,

The Village Settlement,

Islampur, Satara District, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Miss Wilder:-

I am writing to you in reference to your letter dated Feb. 14th and the one Jan. 31st in which you speak of the various interests of your field and also to your undated letter signed by yourself, Miss Rebentisch, Miss Gauthey and Miss Skilton, in which you make specific requests for Board action. May I also ask you to say to Miss Gauthey and Miss Skilton how much I appreciate their letters and that I will write to them personally at a later time.

In reference to the questions which you bring up in your letter, I would say that while I do not know the previous history of the relationship of the settlement to the Mission, I infer from your own letter and also from my conversation with members of the Council that it is necessary for you to work very cautiously and gently lest there may be some technical differences of opinion which might grow into that which would make unpleasant complications. I would, therefore, suggest that you follow your own plan of action which is outlined in the letter and that you do not press the matter so far as the examination is concerned, letting Miss Rebentisch take her examination through you with such help as you may get personally

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from the individuals of the Mission.

In regard to your thought about sending children to the boarding schools and to the high school and have them supported by the funds from these schools, I understand from Mr. Spear that such permission should normally come from the Mission itself and that your relation to the Mission as corresponding members should be kept entirely within the realm of consultation and such intercourse as friendship might indicate. I do not feel that it gives you any right to demand favors of the Mission. Normally such a relationship, as it is for example exercised in our ecclesiastical bodies gives you every right of courtesy with no right of voting or of using the privilege irrespective of the desire of the body to which you may be related. I trust that this will answer your question, and I have passed it under Mr. Spear's eye so that I may feel that in my newness as a Secretary, I have not overlooked any of the conditions that exist. At our meeting on March 2nd, we took the following action covering the travel and salary of Miss Gauthey and Miss Skilton, and the balance which was left over:

"An appropriation of \$1,052.53 was made for the outfit, travel and salary of Miss Gauthey and Miss Skilton of the Village Settlement at Islampur, Western India Mission, and the balance of \$30.81 of the amount received for their account was appropriated for the work in the Village Settlement."

At our meeting on March 16th, the following action was taken:

"At the request of the village settlement of Western India that the Board grant Rs1400 for the building of a chapel and Rs.100 for medicine for the sick people at the Mission, the Board replied that it regrets that the financial conditions are such that it cannot at present depart from the custom which has prevailed of not making appropriations to the settlement beyond the salary grants and the 720 rupees hitherto provided."

I understand that this is in accordance with what has



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best arrangement for the use of the building and very is concerned.

It is regrettable that at the present time we are unable to make any special grants from our regular appropriations as we are facing the end of our year with an enlarged deficit and a financial stringency that is quite portentous of trouble later on. I wish we might do this for you and feel very sorry any disappointment that our decision may cause you.

In regard to the request for 125 dollars for medicine, I am wondering if the balance, already spoken of, left over from the travel and equipment expenses for Miss Gentry and Miss Hamilton would not pretty nearly meet this request. While it is not the full sum asked, it is near enough to it so that you certainly could make a beginning in that provision of medicines which is your desire, and which I can easily see would strengthen you in your work. I shall be glad to hear further from you in regard to your needs and to the way that the work is opening up and also any information that you think will put me more in touch with the conditions under which you are working.

I note in your letter you speak of the possibility of getting some help for the building from Mrs. DeCamp. Is that a matter that should be taken up by you, or is it a place where I can help. We are rather loath to ask for special gifts at present because of our fear that it will interrupt money that would normally come in to meet our current expenses, which, of course, we dare not do. But I should be very glad if there is anyone with whom I might come in contact especially interested in the Settlement and through whom you think I could help you.

With kindest regards, I remain,  
Very sincerely yours,

March 19, 1908.

To the Members of the Western India Mission:

My dear Friends:-

The following action taken at our meeting on Monday March 16th, should be immediately forwarded to you as it will permit Mr. Goheen to go ahead with the work of building, which he is holding up pending our approval of the Property Committee's Report. I received his letter the morning of the meeting and send this brief statement so that there may be no delay.

"That the report of the Property Committee of the Western India Mission on the two sites for Mission Compounds at Vengurle, granted by the Government of Bombay for Mission purposes, be approved as follows: 'That the site granted through Mr. Hannum be approved as the site for the new Mission bungalow.' 'That the site granted through Mr. Goheen, containing the old Cantonment Hospital Building be approved, but as it was granted for medical purposes only, no new building should be erected on it, but that so far as is possible with available funds, the old hospital building be put in shape for use as a temporary hospital!'"

We have, you see, simply endorsed the exact action of the Property Committee.

Trusting that this will untie Mr. Goheen's hands and hasten the time when you will have the better equipment, and with a prayer for God's blessing upon your work, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



March 19, 1908.

Dr. R. H. Goheen, M.D.,  
Vengurle, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My Dear Dr. Goheen:-

I am sending with this same mail a short Mission letter simply putting in formal way, what I am stating herewith, that the Board approved the Property Committee's Report, which I received on the morning of the Board meeting, as follows:

"That the site granted through Mr. Hannaum be approved as the site for the new Mission bungalow. That the site granted through Dr. Goheen, containing the old Cantonment Hospital Building, be approved, but as it was granted for medical purposes only, no new building should be erected on it, but that so far as is possible with available funds the old hospital building should be put in shape for use as a temporary hospital."

I do not know why there was this long delay in my receiving the Property Committee's report and can only assure you that the minute it reached my hand it was attended to.

I trust that the new bungalow will bring added comfort and the work carried on in the hospital building be advantageous to the prosecution of your labor. I will not delay this longer in further writing.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

March 24, 1908.

Mrs. J. M. Coheen,  
Wooster, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Coheen:-

Your letter of March 16th is in my hand, and though I have not had the pleasure of meeting you I have been drawn very near to you as I have read the Mission Minutes and Reports and have realized what a great sorrow came to you in the death of your husband. Truly, his character must have been beautiful. It has left a lasting impression on the members of the Mission and will continue to be a force for good in the India work.

I wish it had been my privilege to know him. I can readily understand how great a sorrow falls upon you as you feel it your duty to resign from the Mission work. I am sure that you will know how much we sympathize with you in that you feel it your duty to take this step. I can only say that I will bring the matter before the Board and I am sure that if they feel it necessary to co-incide with your desire, they will do it with the deepest regret.

Be assured that if there is any way that I can personally serve you, I shall be very glad to be called upon. Might I suggest that, if it is proper for me to do so, you tell me just a little further as to your plans and whether or not you are still bearing or wish to bear any financial relation to the Mission work, that is, whether you have been receiving your home allowance or not. I do not find any provision in the estimates for the coming year.

With kindest regards and regret that you must take this step, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

*W. J. ...*



April 27th 1908.

To the

Dear Friends,

I am sending just a word to follow up on the letter of the 15th of March. I have been thinking about the matter and so took action as follows:-

I have referred the matter to the Board and they have decided to contribute \$100.00 for the year. The suggestion of the Board is that this money be used to help pay the salary in the industrial work, or for any other purpose, as they see fit. I will let you know as soon as possible what they desire.

Very sincerely yours,

*Stevie White*

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P.S. - I appreciate fully that your Station seems to be somewhat neglected in its working force through the resignation of Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, and the resignation in September of the Herrons, but as recalled by Mr. Spier that the Mission force has been replenished by one of our own people, Mr. J. H. Spangoff, Miss Shilton and Miss Carter, and that the amount of salaries has not increased. However, we are as ever ready to do our part in any way possible, and we are glad to see that the Mission is being carried on so well.

April 29, 1908.

The Rev. Edgar M. Wilson,  
Sangli, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Wilson:-

I am sending to-day a letter to the Mission explaining my cablegram about Mr. Alexander.

I thought that I would write to you personally about another matter which should be taken into account and which I did not wish to put in the Mission letter.

I discovered through Dr. McMillan of this City, that Mr. Alexander was engaged to a young woman here in New York, and in determining whether or not we could appoint her, if you needed him, the question arose about his possible marriage. I therefore sent for the young woman only to discover that there had been some misunderstanding between Mr. Alexander and the young woman, and that she was waiting to hear from him to see if the matter had been straightened out. It was necessary for me to have it made perfectly plain, which I did, putting it in writing, that we would not be responsible for sending her out in case he wanted her to come out and marry him. I told her, however, that we would send her if she could bear her own expenses. I have since found that the doctor would not recommend her appointment.

I think this should be understood by Mr. Alexander before you tie him definitely up to the work. You will deal with this wisely, I know. With kindest regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

*J. J. [Signature]*



May 8th, 1908.

To the  
Members of the  
Western India Mission.

My dear Friends;-

The following actions which have been taken by our Board are herewith transmitted to you with such comments as may be necessary.

We were greatly disappointed to receive from Mrs. J. M. Goheen a request that her resignation be accepted as a member of your Mission. The reasons given were such that made it impossible for us to do anything else but accede to her request, and consequently on April 6th, we took the following action:-

"That the resignation of Mrs. J. M. Goheen of the Western India Mission be accepted with regret, on account of ill-health and because of family reasons, the question of some allowance to be adjusted later on."

I know what this will mean to your Mission force, for I have just had a conversation with Mr. and Mrs. Graham, who have recently arrived, and I believe their regret is but an echo of what the whole Mission will feel. It is one of the strange mysteries of Providence why those who seem so essential to the work should be interrupted as have been Dr. and Mrs. Goheen.

We also at the same meeting took action with reference to the request of Mr. and Mrs. Kernon, that their resignation be accepted, to take effect September 10th. There are some questions with reference to the financial side of this matter which must be adjusted, as Mr. and Mrs. Kernon have not completed a full term under our Mission, and also because Mrs. Kernon came over from another Board to our Board. We, therefore, left that matter in abeyance, as the following will show:-

"That the resignation of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Kernon of the Western India Mission be accepted, to take effect September 10th, 1908, the financial arrangements being left for further correspondence."

If it is in accordance with the missionary policy I would suggest that I be notified as soon as possible as to the wishes of Mr. and Mrs. Kernon in regard to financial settlement, and also advised as to the Mission's opinion in the matter, so that I will have a direct request for the Board to act upon.



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On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the following action was taken which will straighten out the matter that was thrown into some confusion by there being two gifts for the Isolation Ward at Kodoli. -

"That a special appropriation of \$100. gold be made for a well at Kodoli, Western India Mission, this amount having been specially given by the Sunday School of the Hillside Presbyterian Church of Orange, N. J."

Mr. Wilson will recognize that this action is taken in obedience to his request that we change a former contribution of \$65. which was made for the Isolation Ward, to some other need of his particular work. I have just received a letter from making application for the work at Sangli for which Mr. Alexander had applied. I do not know whether the Mission has decided yet about Mr. Alexander, but I send the name of this new applicant in order that you may communicate with him if the place is left open. I shall be eager to hear what the choice of the Mission is so far as the work at the Industrial School is concerned. The \$500. gold which we have added to your appropriations is, as I have already written you, at the disposal of the Mission and can be used for this work at Sangli, or for any other work. This is not to say that we will not appoint an Industrial Superintendent at some time in the future, but only that we cannot at the present time appoint Mr. Alexander, unless the Mission will use this money.

We are closing our year with \$105,000. deficit on this year which has to be added to the \$97,000. deficit of the year before, making practically \$202,000. which we must take care of without crippling the work of the future.

As soon as the Mission has faced this problem I shall be glad to hear, for I want to do so far as I can within our financial means, everything that will serve to advance your work. I spoke to Mr. Graham about this Industrial work and the advisability of its being carried on at present and he was emphatic in saying that someone should be appointed there. If neither Mr. Alexander or the one I have named above is suitable, I will pursue my efforts to get the right man here at home.

I trust you will not feel that because we have run behind this year, that we are discouraged. We are planning a work for the future year with large anticipations that



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a great blessing is to be poured out upon the church.

With kindest regards and prayers for God's blessing, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

May 13, 1908.

Rev. Wm. H. Mannum,  
6153 Lexington Av.,  
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Mannum:

Your letter is just received and in reply I would say that it would be in my desire to serve you in getting your special contribution for the education of preachers and teachers in our "West India" Mission, for I believe that the future of mission work depends upon the native ministry. I must say very frankly to you that I do not feel that you can look for any practical help from Mr. Rockefeller in this matter. The reasons are these; again and again we have been told that the money which Mr. Rockefeller is supposed to be ready to put into things will not be specifically for preachers and teachers but for purely non-sectarian, educational work.

With your letter in my hand I happened to meet Dr. Dickson of our college board who is in touch with Mr. Murphy, and he said right away that unless there was a decided change in Mr. Rockefeller's determination, there was no possibility of money being given for this reason. In the second place, our Board is on record that it does not approve of making a distinct request as a Board to Mr. Rockefeller. This is not of course, because the Board feels that his money is "tainted", but there are situations known to us that cannot be known on the field, which would make it very unwise for us to make an appeal to Mr. Rockefeller. I speak this frankly that you may understand our attitude. I shall make note of your feeling of the need for



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theological education at your mission and shall not forget it, as I  
have opportunity of interesting men in that work.

Trusting that you are well, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

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May 16, 1908.

Miss Sybel G. Brown,

Kodoli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Brown:

Your letter in regard to the special contribution has reached me, and I will reply that it would seem wise on consultation with Mrs. Sheaffler, that you should regard the gift of the \$100.00 as a personal matter and use it as you see fit. If you are unwilling to consult the mission about its expenditure, it would not be wise to return it here and disappoint those who responded to the appeal when it was made. I do not think that the rule about receipts on the field would apply to a special gift of this kind. We have always expected money given directly to the workers from this country, to be reported to us by the mission and at their request, we appropriate it as they desire. There was no thought in my use of the expression, "adjusting at this end," that we would in any way cut the Board's appropriation to the mission, it simply meant that if you would agree with the mission people to the use to which the money should be put, and would notify us, that I would then have the Board appropriate it at the request of the mission for the purpose desired. I am writing this to you personally and in the hurry of starting for General Assembly, so will not write a longer letter. I rejoice in the success of your work and in the story that you tell of the way that you have received the proffer of the Inspector General.

With kindest regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,



May 19, 1908.

Rev. William H. Hamann,

6155 Kensington Avenue,

Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Hamann -

Your note of May 14th to Dr. White is just received.

Dr. White left this morning with Dr. Brown and Dr. Halsey for the General Assembly, and will not be back for a fortnight.

I knew of your letter of May 14th to him, however, and his reply and I know what our general attitude has been in this matter throughout and I do not think that Dr. White would feel free to send you the letter giving his consent to your making the solicitation proposed, if he were here.

My impression is that the Board would not hesitate making a formal request to Mr. Rockefeller. Sometime ago the question was before it in the form of the request from the Rev. Robert F. Fitch of the Central China Mission for the Board's formal endorsement of his appeal for a large contribution for the Hang-Show College. The Board understood at that time, however, that Mr. Rockefeller was contemplating establishing a large fund, and that any such special appeals were not likely to receive his consideration and the Board voted that it was inexpedient at that time to make the request which Mr. Fitch desired.

Your particular request in behalf of India might not seem to be open to the same objection, but I think it is, because Mr. Rockefeller's large fund, as I have been informed, was to be used first of all for the advantage of China, but not exclusively so.

Rev. W. H. Hannaum:-

Dr. White's point in his letter of May 15th I think also is a valid one.

It might be added also that if any request is to be made by the Board to Mr. Rockefeller it ought to be specially comprehensive and commanding, and not an endorsement and a single and particular appeal of relatively small dimensions.

If I have passed by any considerations which individuals might have entertained regarding this whole subject, I think what has been said would fairly represent the Board's position and would lead Dr. White to decline to give the statement proposed.

I hope that you and Mrs. Hannaum are both well and that you are finding opportunities for joint work to help in the present special emergency. I enclose a copy of the booklet which will help to explain what the situation is.

With kind regards to Mrs. Hannaum and yourself, I remain,

Very cordially yours,



## APPROPRIATIONS FOR PATNAGIRI.

1908-1909.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Miss Minor, 6 mos.	\$ 270.00	
Miss Jefferson,	540.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, 6 mos.	540.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Kernan, 6 mos.	540.00	
	<u>\$ 1890.00</u>	\$1890.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON THE FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, 5 mos.	416.00
Miss Minor,	250.00

## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley,	616.00	
Miss Minor,	308.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Kernan,	308.00	
	<u>\$ 1898.00</u>	\$1898.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Rupees.

Kondibai, 120.	
Receipts on field, <u>120.</u>	
Malaubai, 132.	
Receipts on field, <u>132.</u>	
Balabai, 84.	
Receipts on field, <u>84</u>	

## OTHER HELPERS:

Malap,	228.
Gaekwad, 192.	
On field, <u>192.</u>	
Ramchandra, Master,	180.

## ITINERATING:

164.

572. Rupees

## CLASS V. EDUCATION:

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

5 teachers,	816.
Expenses,	200.
	<u>1016.</u>
Receipts on field, <u>600.</u>	416.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

4 schools,	1016.
Receipts on field, <u>528.</u>	488.

904. Rupees

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

		Rupees.	
RENT:	Bungalow and one school,	540.	
TAXES:	Mission property,	26.	
REPAIRS:	Mission property,	210.	
	Receipts on field,	<u>48.</u>	
		<u>162.</u>	728. Rupees

## CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:	Mission Meeting,	250.	
STATIONERY, POSTAGE, ETC.,		15.	
MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:		125.	
SANITARIUMS:	Konkan,	250.	
INCOME TAX:		<u>155.</u>	795. Rupees

## SUMMARY FOR RATNAGIRI.

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I. ....	\$ 1890.00	
" II. ....	1898.00	
" IV. ....		572.
" V. ....		904.
" VII. ....		728.
" IX. ....		795.
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Total, //.....	\$3788.00---	2999. Rupees.



## APPROPRIATIONS FOR MIRAJ.

1908 - 1909.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Dr. W.J. Wanless,	\$1080.00
Mr. and Mrs. Richardson,	1080.00
Miss Patterson, 4 mos.	180.00
	<u>\$ 2340.00</u>

## CHILDREN:

Mr. Richardson, 1,	<u>100.00</u>
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\$2440.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON THE FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Miss Patterson, 4 mos.	\$333.00
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## CHILDREN:

Ethel Wanless,	150.00
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## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

Miss Patterson,	<u>308.00</u>
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\$ 791.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Laxmobsi Khandoba,	84.
2 to be employed, 160.	
Receipts on field, <u>80.</u>	80.

## OTHER HELPERS:

Khandoba Padghalmal	240.
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## SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

20.

## ITINERATING:

Touring,	230.
Presbyterial Evangelist,	100.

## OTHER WORK:

For the station, 120.	
Receipts on field, <u>880.</u>	<u>50.</u>

804 Rupees.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

Tatyaba, Waghechowsie,	240.	
Expenses, <u>75.</u>		315.

Christian School,		
H.P. Khandoba,	144.	
Expenses, <u>50.</u>		194.

School,		
Husen,		96.

Mangevada, School,		
Martund,	60.	
Expenses, 30.		
PUPIL TEACHER	<u>24.</u>	<u>114/</u>

719. RUPEES

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES.

Rupees,

## ASSISTANTS:

J.S. Powar,	480.	
A.B. Yardi,	216.	
V.S? Gaekwad,	216.	
B.G. Powar,	240.	
N. Kamble,	192.	
Johannabai Isaac,	96.	
6 pupil nurses,	444.	
Scholarships,	876.	
Clerk,	120.	
Cook,	60.	
Watchmen,	84.	
5 Ward Boys,	408.	
Disp. servant,	84.	
Sweeper,	<u>108.</u>	3624.

## MEDICINES:

7873.

## EXPENSES:

Sweeper Tax,	60.	
Washing,	150.	
Diet,	900.	
Lights & Heating,	350.	
Repairs,	50.	
Books & Printing,	150.	
Postage & Stationery,	<u>50.</u>	1710.

Receipts on field,

13207.  
11000.

2207. Rupees.

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENT:

Schools, 48.

## TAXES:

Land and Buildings, 85.

## REPAIRS:

Hospital,	200.	
Bungalows,	200.	
Mt. Douglas,	411.	
Panbala,	<u>235.</u>	1046.

## ATTENDANTS:

Tukaram, Male, 72.

1251. Rupees.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETING:

Mission meeting, 34.

## BOOKS, PRINTING, ETC.,

For the Station, 42.

## STATIONERY, POSTAGE, ETC.,

For the Station, 25.

## MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:

For the Station, 150.

## OTHER WORK:

49.



## CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES? (Continued)

	RUPEES.	
Reserved for Mission Treasurer,		
Postage,	100.	
SANITARIUM:	2000.	
Transfers:	200.	
PRES. POSTAGE.:	20.	
SECRET " :	15.	
COMMITTEES:	100.	
PRINTING:	<u>65.</u>	
		2798. Rupees.

## SUMMARY FOR MIRAJ.

	Gold.	Rupees.
CLASS I. ....	\$ 2440.00	
" II. ....	791.00	
" IV. ....		804.
" V. ....		719.
" VI. ....		2207.
" VII. ....		1251.
" IX. ....		2798.
Total,.....	\$ 3231.00	-- 7779. Rupees.

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR SANGLI.

1908 - - 1909.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson,	\$1080.00
Miss Enright,	540.00
Miss Johnson,	540.00
Mr. Howard,	648.00
	<u>\$ 2808.00</u>

## CHILDREN:

Mr. Wilson,	6,	600.00	
		<u>600.00</u>	\$5408.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## ITINERATING:

Rupees.  
50.

50. Rupees

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

Industrial School,	
11 teachers,	1716.
Expenses,	4664.
	<u>6380.</u>
Receipts on field,	<u>4500.</u>

1880.

Station school,	
3 teachers,	348.
Expenses,	1743.
	<u>2091.</u>
Receipts on field,	<u>1440.</u>

651.

2531. Rupees

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

## RENT:

Conservancy Land,	5.
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## TAXES:

Mission Compound,	55.
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## INSURANCE:

Workshop,	10.
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## REPAIRS:

Mission Buildings,	<u>500.</u>
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370. Rupees

## CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES.

## MISSION MEETING:

100.

## STATIONERY &amp; POSTAGE,

25.

## MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:

150.

## PERSONAL TEACHER: Mr. Howard,

150.

425. Rupees



## SUMMARY FOR BANGLI.

		GOLD.	RUPES.
CLASS I.	.....	\$ 408.00	
" II.	.....		
" IV.	.....		50.
" V.	.....		2531.
" VII.	.....		370.
" IX.	.....		425.
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Total,	.....	\$3408.00--	3376. Rupees.
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## APPROPRIATIONS FOR KOLHAPUR.

1908 -- 1909.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Rev. & Mrs. Simpson,	\$1080.00
Dr. & Mrs. Irwin,	1080.00
Miss A.A. Browne,	540.00
Dr. W. E. T. Heston,	180.00
Mrs. J. M. Goheen,	270.00
Miss E.E. Patton,	540.00
Rev. D.B. Updegraff,	648.00
Rev. and Mrs. Marshall,	-----
	\$ 4338.00

## CHILDREN:

Mrs. Goheen,	1,	<u>150.00</u>
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\$4488.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON THE FIELD?

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Dr. Heston,	333.00
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## TRAVEL:

Mrs. Goheen,	308.00
Dr. Heston,	308.00
Miss Patton,	<u>308.00</u>

\$1257.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

3 to be appointed,	Rupees. 288.
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## OTHER HELPERS:

to be appointed,	180.
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## ITINERATING:

For the station,	229.
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## ANY OTHER WORK:

Books,	100.
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797.

Receipts on field,

110.

687. Rupees

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

For Girls.	
Teachers,	1800.

Expenses, Food,	
clothing, etc.	8475.

Watchmen,	216.
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Books, etc.,	250.
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10741.Receipts on the field 7500.

3241.

High School.

Teachers,	2472.
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Clerk, Peon, books, etc.	269.
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food, clothing, etc.	<u>1991.</u>
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## CLASS V. EDUCATION. (continued)

		Rupees.	
<b>BROUGHT FORWARD:</b>		3241.	
Brought forward (High School)	4732.		
Receipts on field,	<u>2700.</u>	2032.	
<b>DAY SCHOOLS:</b>			
4 schools, (Boys) teachers,	780.		
2 schools, (Girls) teachers,	252.		
Expenses for schools,	60.		
" " "	<u>36.</u>	1128.	
<b>OTHER SCHOOLS OR WORK:</b>			
3 reading schools,		216.	
Travel to out-station schools,		<u>72.</u>	
		6689.	6689. Rupees

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

<b>MEDICINES, ETC.,</b>	<del>2000.</del> 1200.		
Receipts on field,	<u>400.</u>	800.	
			800. Rupees

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

<b>RENT:</b>			
High School, Hotel and bungalow,)		39.	
Rent for schools, )			
		41.	
<b>TAXES:</b>			
<b>REPAIRS:</b>			
Missionary dwellings,	323.		
Other buildings,	376.		
	<u>699.</u>		
Receipts on field,	<u>125.</u>	<u>574.</u>	654. Rupees

## CLASS IX. MISSION AND STATION EXPENSES.

<b>MISSION MEETING:</b>		300.	
<b>STATIONERY, POSTAGE, ETC.</b>		60.	
<b>MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:</b>		150.	
<b>PERSONAL TEACHERS:</b>			
For Mr. & Mrs. Simpson, and Mr. Updegraff,		<u>225.</u>	735. Rupees

## SUMMARY FOR KOLHAPUR:

	GOLD.	RUPEES.
CLASS I. ....	\$ 4488.00	
" II. ....	1257.00	
" IV. ....		687.
" V. ....		6689.
" VI. ....		800.
" VII. ....		654.
" IX. ....		735.
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Total...\$	5745.00 --	9565. Rupees.

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## APPROPRIATIONS FOR KODOLI.

1908-1909.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Dr. and Mrs. Wilson,	\$1080.00
Miss S. G. Brown,	540.00
" E. A. Foster,	540.00
" V. E. Mac Arthur, M.D.,	270.00
	<u>\$ 2430.00</u>

## CHILDREN:

Dr. Wilson,	4,	400.00	
		<u>400.00</u>	\$2830.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Miss V. E. MacArthur, M.D., 5 mos.,	208.00
Rev. and Mrs. Graham,	1000.00
Miss Belle Graham,	500.00
	<u>1708.00</u>

## FREIGHT AND TRAVEL:

Miss V. E. MacArthur, M.D.,	308.00
Miss Belle Graham,	308.00
Rev. & Mrs. Graham,	616.00
	<u>\$2940.00</u>
	\$2940.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## BIBLE WOMEN:

Sumatabai Kishuaji,	Rupees.
	84.

## ITINERATING:

For the Station,	<u>100.</u>	184. Rupees.
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## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## BOARDING SCHOOLS:

Boys' School,		Rupees.
Tyappa Lumaji,	192.	
Anand Satoba,	156.	
Sagundh Bapuji,	156.	
Piakash Sautoba,	84.	
Narsu Kedare,	72.	
Samuel Bhiwaji,	72.	
2 to be appointed,	216.	
Dadu Katriba,	<u>72.</u>	1020.

## CLASS V. EDUCATION. ( continued)

		Rupees.
Brought Forward:		1020.
<b>BOARDING SCHOOLS:</b>		
For Girls',		
Shewantibai Ranji,	120.	
Ashmabai Moteran,	120.	
Manzulabai Garru,	120.	
Savanabai,	84.	
Gundarabai Kushappa,	60.	
Krupabai Narsu,	60.	
2 to be appointed,	<u>240.</u>	
		804.
		<u>1824.</u>
Receipts on field,		<u>1124.</u>
		700.
<b>DAY SCHOOLS:</b>		
Kodoli Manga School,		
Bhagubai Omaji,	48.	
Yohann Setola,	192.	
Sundrabai Babaji,	60.	
Dhondiba Kushappa,	<u>60.</u>	
		360.
<b>OTHER SCHOOLS OR WORK:</b>		
2 reading classes,	144.	
Industrial Classes,	<u>600.</u>	
		744.
Receipts on field,		<u>600.</u>
		144.
		1204. Rupees.

## CLASS VI. HOSPITALS &amp; DISPENSARIES.

<b>ASSISTANTS:</b>		
S.A. Karvekai,	216.	
L.S. Ranabhise,	144.	
C. Chppade,	84.	
T. Dewalikai,	84.	
L. Maratha,	<u>60.</u>	
		588.
<b>MEDICINES:</b>		
For the Station,	1903.	
Receipts on field,	<u>400.</u>	
		1503.
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
		<u>175.</u>
		2266. Rupees,

## CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

<b>RENT:</b>		
Schoolhouses,		60.
<b>TAXES:</b>		
Bungalows and land/		60.
<b>REPAIRS:</b>		
Bungalows and Hospital,		<u>300.</u>
		420. Rupees.



## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

MISSION MEETINGS:

Rupees/  
83.

BOOKS, PRINTING, etc.,

50.

133. Rupees.

## SUMMARY FOR KODOLI.

	Gold.	Rupees.
CLASS I. ....	\$ 2830.00	
" II. ....	2940.00	
" IV. ....		184.
" V. ....		1204.
" VI. ....		2266.
" VII. ....		420.
" IX. ....		133.
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Total,	\$5770.00----	4207. Rupees.

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## APPROPRIATIONS FOR WINGURLE.

1908 - 1909.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Dr. and Mrs. Goheen,		\$1080.00
Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, 5 mos.		540.00
		<u>1620.00</u>

## CHILDREN:

Mr. Hannum, 3, 6 mos.		<u>150.00</u>
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\$ 1770.00

## CLASS II. MISSIONARIES NOT ON THE FIELD.

## HOME ALLOWANCE:

Mr. and Mrs. Hannum, 5 mos.		\$416.00
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## CHILDREN:

Mr. Hannum, 1, 1 year,	\$125.	
" " 3, 6 mos.	<u>150.</u>	275.00

## FREIGHT &amp; TRAVEL:

Mr. & Mrs. Hannum,	\$616.	
3 children,	<u>462.</u>	<u>1078.00</u>

\$ 1769.00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC.

## OTHER HELPERS:

Takaram R. Kambale,		Rupees.
		288.

## ITINERATING:

150.

## OTHER WORK:

Books, etc.,	25.	
Receipts on field,	<u>25.</u>	

438. Rupees

## CLASS V. EDUCATION.

## DAY SCHOOLS:

<u>Lakeri Boys' School,</u>		
2 Teachers,	276.	
Receipts on field,	<u>200.</u>	76.

<u>Parabhavada Boys' School,</u>		
<u>also Girls' School,</u>		
2 Teachers,	276.	
Receipts on field,	<u>200.</u>	76.

<u>Bhatwadi</u>		
<u>Boys' and Girls' School,</u>		
2 Teachers,	216.	
Receipts on field,	<u>200.</u>	16.
Furniture, Supplies, Etc.		<u>200.</u>

368. Rupees



Class VI. HOSPITALS AND DISPENSARIES.

		RUPEES.
<b>ASSISTANTS:</b>		
1 compounder,		156.
1 boy,		36/
<b>MEDICINES, ETC.,</b>		
For the Station,	1353.	753.
Receipts on field,	<u>600.</u>	
<b>EXPENSES:</b> For the Station,		<u>100.</u>
		1045 Rupees

CLASS VII. PROPERTY IN USE.

<b>RENT:</b>		
3 schools,		26.
1 Missionary dwelling,		420.
Preaching Hall and Dispensary,		<u>60.</u>
		506. Rupees

CLASS IX. MISSION & STATION EXPENSES.

<b>MISSION MEETING:</b>	120.
<b>STATIONERY, POSTAGE, ETC:</b>	3.
<b>SANITARIUMS:</b>	150.
<b>INCOME TAX:</b>	<u>73.</u>
	346. Rupees.

SUMMARY FOR VENGURLE:

	Gold.	Rupees.
CLASS I. ....	\$ 1770.00	
" II. ....	1769.00	
" IV. ....		438.
" V. ....		368.
" VI. ....		1046.
" VII. ....		506.
" IX. ....		346.
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Total, .....	\$3539.00--	2703. Rupees.

## APPROPRIATIONS FOR ISLAMPUR.

## VILLAGE SETTLEMENT.

1908 -1909.

## CLASS I. MISSIONARIES ON FIELD.

## SALARIES:

Miss Wilder,	\$300.	
Miss Rebentisch,	300.	
Miss Gauthey,	300.	
Miss Skilton,	300.	
	<u>1200.</u>	\$1200. 00

## CLASS IV. EVANGELISTIC:

## ITINERATION:

RUPEES.

220.

220. Rupees.

## CLASS IX. MISSION &amp; STATION EXPENSES.

## SANITARIUM:

500.

500. Rupees.

## SUMMARY FOR ISLAMPUR. (VILLAGE SETTLEMENT)

	Gold.	Rupees.
CLASS I. ....	\$ 1200.00	
" IV. ....		220.
" IX. ....		500.
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Total, ...	\$ 1200.00	---720. Rupees.
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SUMMARY FOR WESTERN INDIA MISSION.

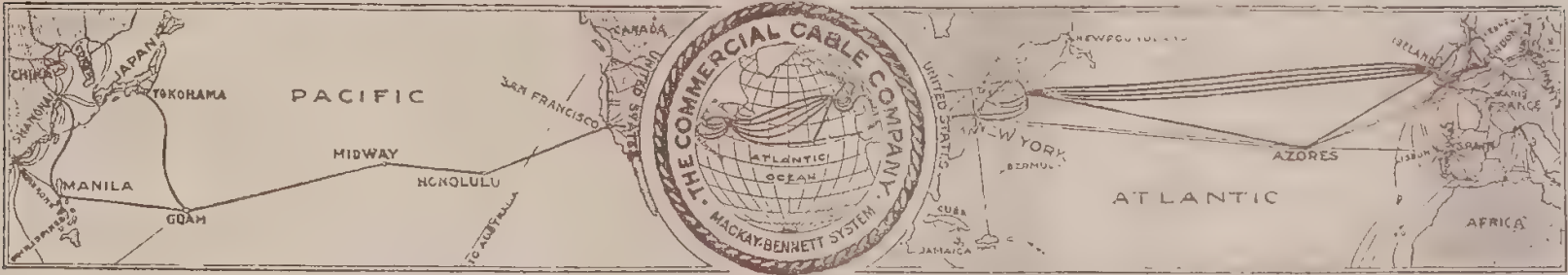
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Ratnagiri-.....	\$3788.00	2999. Rupees.
Miraj- .....	3231.00	7779. "
Sangli- .....	3408.00	3376. "
Nelhapur-.....	5745.00	9565. "
Kodoli- .....	5770.00	4207. "
Vengurle-.....	3539.00	2703. "
Islampur-(Village Settlement)....	1200.00	720. "
	\$26,681.00	31,349. Rupees.

The total appropriations for the Western India Mission are \$26,681.00 gold for classes I. and II. and <sup>32,849</sup>~~31,349~~ Rupees for Classes IV-X. The above detailed appropriations for the various stations are approved so far as they can be covered within the amounts just designated. The Mission has the liberty to re-adjust the appropriations under paragraph 48 of the Manual, but no expenditure beyond the amount just indicated is authorized. All special-object gifts for the Mission are included within these amounts, unless excepted by the Board on the basis of a different understanding with the donor.

Form No. 69  
1045

# CABLEGRAM



NO. \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK \_\_\_\_\_ VIA \_\_\_\_\_ May 22nd., 1908. 190

SEND THE FOLLOWING CABLEGRAM **"VIA COMMERCIAL"** SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK HEREOF WHICH ARE AGREED TO.

Johnson

Sangli.

Family well. Return needless.

PLEASE READ CONDITIONS AT BACK AND WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR REFERENCE



May 23, 1908.

Miss Bertha G. Johnson,  
Miraj, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Miss Johnson:†

Your letter of April 15th to Dr. White telling of your fear that it might be necessary for you to return home on account of the health of your family, and asking for a cablegram as to whether the Board would consent, was received some days ago.

Dr. White showed the letter to me and we both ventured to cherish the hope that conditions at home might not be as unfavorable as you feared. Dr. White wrote to a friend in Hinsdale asking him whether he would let us know just what the present conditions were so that we might advise you wisely. His answer has just come and as Dr. White is away at the General Assembly, I am writing you instead.

We cabled to you yesterday,—"Family better, return unnecessary." I am glad to report that as far as we can learn you, father and mother are all quite well and that your brother seems to be quite well, at least. He has been very much benefitted by his stay in Nashville, and he has resumed his position in the office of the C.B. & Q. Railroad.

As far as we have been able to ascertain there is no reason should change your plans or return home at the present time. I know that you will rejoice for this assurance, and I know how hard it would have been to you to come home now and how much more you will enjoy longer furlough in 1911, unless before that time conditions change and your return becomes absolutely necessary.

We were not quite clear from your letter whether you thought

Miss Bertha C. Johnson:- A.

of was only a furlough now or returning permanently to help in the home support. If it was the latter, would it not be well to consider the question in all its aspects, because unless you found remunerative employment your presence would only increase the burden on those who are now earning for the family support and if you took up work that would call you away from home, you would not be able to render the help, which you would be giving up the work in order to be able to render.

I hope that you will be able to go on with the work with a happy and restive mind and I am sure that God will guide you all who put all their trust in him and desire only that His will should be done.

It is a great pleasure to be writing to you again. With kind regards, I am,

Your sincere friend,



June 9, 1908.

The Rev. Edgar M. Wilson,

Bangli, India.

My dear Mr. Wilson:-

Your letter dated May 15th has reached me to-day and I hasten to answer it.

You probably have received my letter in regard to Mr. Alexander by this time. There was some little delay between my cable and the sending of the letter because of the clogged condition of the work here. Sometimes letters are written and it is several days before they are mailed. I have cabled you to-day in response to your cablegram, saying, that the Board is ready to appoint Mr. Alexander for the three years as you request. We understand that he is a regular missionary and that Mr. Irwin's salary is available for his expenses. I have already written to you in regard to Mr. Spender, but the appointment of Mr. Alexander will settle the question.

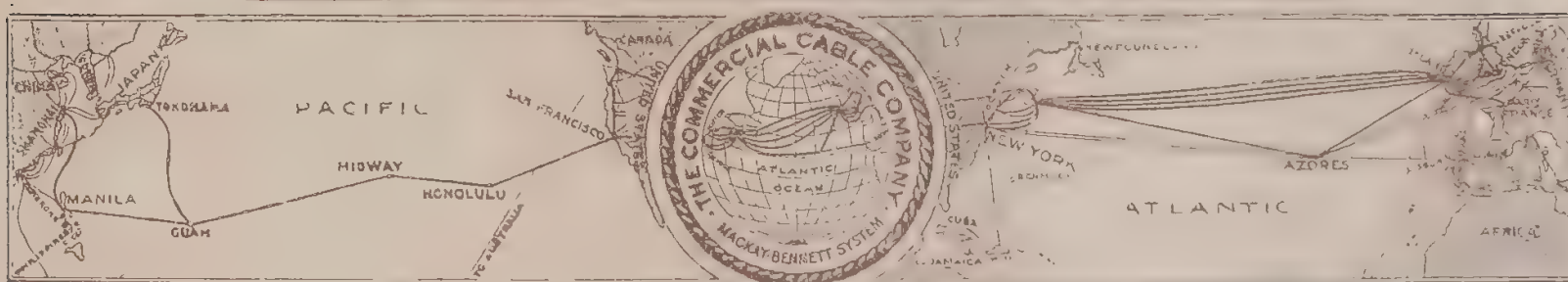
I had the pleasure the other day of seeing your sister in Orange at the Commencement of the school and am happy to say that she is well. I have also received word from some of the other members of the Western India mission, which tells me that your own children are recovering and this comforts my heart.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Form No. 69  
1045

# CABLEGRAM



NO. \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK \_\_\_\_\_ VIA \_\_\_\_\_ June 8th., 1908. 190

SEND THE FOLLOWING CABLEGRAM **"VIA COMMERCIAL"** SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND  
CONDITIONS PRINTED ON THE BACK HEREOF WHICH ARE AGREED TO.

Simpson

Kolhapur.

Caespitabo Daggeben Alexander.

Translation: Board consents to request of Mission. The Board has appointed  
for your Mission Alexander.

PLEASE READ CONDITIONS AT BACK AND WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR REFERENCE.



June 13, 1908.

Rev. A. L. Wiley,

The Acron,

Centre and Craig,

Pittsburg, Pa.

My dear Mr. Wiley:-

I was glad to get your letter of yesterday, speaking about the circular on special objects. I can readily understand how exception will be taken to what might seem to be rather drastic, but as you say there are so many that in spite of all we can do, do not seem to understand the situation, that we were in a sense driven to do what we have.

It is not only the missionaries for whom this is prepared but for the donors themselves. If you could have heard Mr. Speer speak on this topic at the Conference, I think you would not even have taken exception to the last paragraphs. We do desire and in fact I might say to protect you men on the field, and we must follow your suggestion, when your estimates come in, as to what you consider to be the most important need of the Mission. Of course, it would be possible for us to throw this responsibility of special gifts unto the Mission, but it seems to me it would make chaos, and if every missionary were to peddle his own cause and strengthen his work without reference of this relation to the rest of the work, I am sure, while this might seem a little severe at first, it will result in greater stability and eventually in larger contributions for the work.

I shall always be glad to receive from you any suggestions

The Rev. A. L. Wiley: 2.

and shall never consider that they are criticisms to which exception can be taken.

With kindest regards, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



June 13th, 1906.

Mr. W. L. ...

Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency,

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My dear Mr. Kennan:

Your letter of May 22nd is at hand. I hasten to answer it simply to say that I have already, through a Mission letter, replied to your request of February 22nd, and have informed you that the Board has accepted your resignation. I also, in that letter, requested you to state exactly what you desired the Board to do in regard to your expenses. This should be a matter taken up in consultation with the Mission, and they should give to us a direct statement. The letter just before me indicates that you ask for one-half of the return expenses, but I will wait until I receive from the Mission their statement of their desire in the matter. I assume from the date of my Mission letter, that it will follow this letter of yours within a few days. If not, I will take up the matter independently and let you know.

I am glad to know that you and the other members of the Mission are well, and shall look forward to the time when you return so that I may have the pleasure of seeing you personally.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Dictated June 13th.

June 22nd, 1908.

To the  
Members of the  
Western India Mission.

Dear Friends:-

I have to report to you the action of the Board taken at the request of Dr. Irwin, as follows:-

The resignation of the Rev. J. M. Irwin of the Western India Mission be accepted on account of ill health and on the basis of medical certificate received.

You know that we join with you in regret that this action has had to be taken, although I feared it might come because I had had intimation both from those returning from the field and by letter, that Dr. Irwin's health was not such as would warrant his going on with active work. I rejoice that the opportunity has come to him to take up work which will keep him with you and yet relieve him from the strenuous care of Mission service. It would seem almost Providential. I shall be interested to know what you are doing in supplying his place in the matter of appointment. Will Mr. Updegraff be ready to step in and if so will there be any need of further funds to supplement the work. I have had an intimation in a round-about way that Dr. Irwin had a self-sacrificing way of putting in from his own fund and I am wondering if after his resignation this would no longer be available. I ask the question because I have the suspicion that if Mr. Updegraff does take this work and needs this money that I may be able to reach some heart through some of his friends. This is just a suggestion and I would like to know frankly the situation.

I have had pleasant visits from the Grahams, and correspondence with Mr. Wiley, who is thinking now of returning. It gives us quite a new vision of the field to have a personal talk with those who come back.

We have just finished with the General Assembly meeting and there was much there



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that would have encouraged the hearts of those of you on the field. While there was a report of a deficit on the part of our board, there were evidences of enthusiasm that were very satisfactory.

With kindest regards to all the members of the Mission, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

June 22nd, 1908.

Miss Mary I. Thompson,  
Elora, Ontario, Canada.

My dear Miss Thompson:-

Your letter to Mrs. Wood in regard to your willingness to have the unexpended portion of your contributions to the fund raised in the building of the Chapel at Islington, is at hand. May I tell you that the money that will come from the Village Settlement for next year is large. They are in great need and it will lighten your heart; but they will consider it as a direct answer to prayer.

I note what you write regarding future contributions and while I would not insist or urge anything, I cannot help but say that if you and your father can continue your contribution to this work and let it be used under the guidance of Miss Wilder, who is a very wise leader, you can have great rest of heart in the thought that the money is well placed. There is dire need and very little money to meet it.

I shall be glad to hear from you and trust that it will be a favorable answer to our desire.

Thanking you for all that you have done in the past, I remain

Very sincerely yours,



June 22nd, 1908.

Miss Grace Wilder,  
Islampur, Satara District,  
Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Miss Wilder;-

Your letter of April 2nd. to Mr. Speer was put in my hand and I immediately corresponded with Miss Mary I. Thompson, Elora, Ontario, Canada, to know what was desired in the matter of the money which she had been contributing for Mrs. Wanless' salary. I received word from her that she was entirely willing that the unused portion of it since her marriage to Dr. Wanless could be used as you desire for the building fund of your chapel. As I figure this out, counting Mrs. Wanless's marriage on December 5th, 1907, there would be an unused balance in your hands until May, 1908, of \$125. gold. I made request of the Board that you should use this in accordance with your judgment for the Chapel, and at the meeting on June 15th., the Board took the following action:-

"That the Board approve of the request of the Village Settlement, Western India Mission, that they be permitted to use the unexpended portion of Mrs. Havens' salary as a payment on the Chapel, or such other purpose, as may be deemed more important."

It gives me great pleasure to send you this word. While it is not all that you desire I hope that it will seem as an answer to your earnest prayers. I shall take up the matter further with Miss Thompson about the future. In her letter she says "As regards future contribution I cannot now say whether there will be any. It was because of my return as you will recall, that my father agreed to take the salary of Mrs. Havens in the Settlement. My father's interest in the work in India is not as mine was. To me the call for native work in India is just as great as ever," if you have been in communication with Miss Thompson I would suggest that you write to her urging that this contribution which her father has made be



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continued for your work. I do not see that anyone else has a prior right to it. While I cannot speak for my colleagues here, I would be very glad if she were willing, to vote to have this \$300. at your disposal.

I note in your letter that you say Miss Thompson sent her contribution for the coming year in September. Does that cover the new year from May 1st, 1908 to May 1st, 1909? If so, and you will let me know it, making such request as you desire, I will bring it before the Board.

I am somewhat in doubt as to just how to answer your letter about the Brownie Orphanage. On December 16th, 1907, we took the following action, viz:-

"In the opinion of the Mission the support of children at other Stations in the Mission than Kodoli, from the funds of the Brownie Orphanage will be proper, provided these children be enrolled in the Brownie Orphanage."

I am not sure whether this applies to your Village Settlement or not. I have not taken the matter to the Board for it seemed to me advisable that such a matter should be adjusted on the field. Technically I suppose the action does not cover the Settlement; it would seem that in spirit it would be so constituted, but I hesitate very much to direct the Mission to do this. I fear it would only complicate what may be a very delicate situation. I will not at present, therefore, take this matter to the Board, but will wait until I have advice from you that you so desire.

We have just finished our Conference with the out-going missionaries and I know that it will be of interest to you to know that we had a splendid company of young people, not so many as last year, but all eager and enthusiastic, and that I do not remember <sup>ever</sup> to have seen more interest on the part of people in general than there has been this year. We are hoping that this interest as it is now manifested, will begin before long to bring forth larger contributions.

I was glad to hear from your letters how well Miss Gauthy and Miss Skilton were getting on and I trust that before long they will have acquired the language sufficiently so that they may be of even more help to you. They seemed to me to



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be very earnest and eager young woman,

I hope that your mother is maintaining her strength so far as you might expect and that you are having health given to you to care for her. There is always something that comes very close to my heart when I know of a daughter or son tenderly caring for a Mother who has reached the time of life when the sun is beginning to set. I remember so well the joy that was in our own home when my mother came back there to stay with us until she went home. There are many cares that come with such loving service, but there are a thousand <sup>gold</sup> recompenses.

Trusting that the action of the Board which I have referred to will lighten your burden, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

June 25, 1908.

The Rev. A. L. Wiley,

"The Akron", Pittsburg, Pa.

My dear Mr. Wiley:-

Your letter in regard to young Goheen is before me and it accentuates my disappointment which I have already expressed to Goheen and his mother for this matter came up a few days after I had answered a cable from the Mission asking for the appointment of Alexander to the work at Sangli. I instructed them to make the appointment for three years and I assume that the matter is accomplished by this time.

It does seem as if Goheen had special reason for going and if he had a little time for preparation that he would admirably fill the place. I have suggested to him that he does not let this discourage him, but insist upon pursuing his studies so that he may eventually go to field. I know this is to be a great disappointment to Mrs. Goheen but it seems an inevitable one.

Thanking you for your kindly interest in the matter, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,



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June 26, 1908.

The Rev. Edgar M. Wilson,  
Sangli, Bombay Presidency,  
India.

My dear Mr. Wilson:

I feel as though I wanted to write a personal letter to you in regard to the question of the Institute at Sangli.

In reply to your cable we have authorized the Mission to appoint Alexander for three years. Shortly after doing that I received a letter from young John Goheen, stating that he wanted to equip himself for the work and was ready to go; also an urgent letter from his mother and another from Mr. Wiley. I confess that I felt a little disappointment in the fact that we had closed the matter with Alexander, but it occurred to me that I might write to you in order that you should have this information in your mind in case there was any slip-up in the Alexander matter, or in case it was possible that after the three years Goheen might be used.

I want you to have the very best possible help you can and felt all along that managing this matter at a far distance might possibly complicate things. We have thrown most of the responsibility about Alexander upon you. So far as the information which I have already given you about Mr. Alexander's possible engagement to a young woman in this country is concerned, I understand from her that that is no longer a complication as the engagement is broken.

Trusting that you will understand why I have written in this personal way, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,  
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OFFICE OF SECRETARY

June 26, 1908.

To the Members of the <sup>Western</sup> India Mission:

Dear Friends:-

I regret exceedingly to say that in the Summary sheet of your estimates there was an error owing to the fact that I did not fully understand the method of making out the sheet.

I should have noted that in some instances the total of the Summary in native currency did not correspond with the total grant made by the Board. This was due in some instances to the fact that the Board added this year to the sum of the appropriations for last year, and in other cases to the fact that the Mission in making out its estimate sheets did not conform to the directions of column 3, and allowed the estimates to exceed those of the previous year.

I am sending herewith the corrected Summary sheet which you will please substitute for the one already received and base your work and plans upon this second sheet. I trust that my mistake has not led you into any difficulty in the planning of your work, particularly where it has seemed to allow the use of larger appropriations than you had last year.

Very sincerely yours,

Stanley White



July 1, 1908.

The Rev. A. L. Wiley,  
"The Akron,"

Center and Craig Streets, Pittsburg, Pa.

My dear Mr. Wiley:-

In regard to your letter about the \$75. from the Far Rockaway Church Sunday School, to be used in the support of five orphans at Ratnagiri, I would say that we will be very glad to take that money and put it in our 'orphan fund', which, as you know, is to be used supplementally to the Brownie Orphanage Fund, now in hand on the field.

The action of the Board you remember was that the money on the field should be used before any farther funds were sent out. This of course, does not invalidate a gift such as the Far Rockaway Church desires to make. So far as assigning a specific child is concerned, you know that the Board is not able to do that. If the Far Rockaway Church desires that their particular \$75. should go for five particular boys whose names they know, as I understand it the arrangement will have to be made apart from the Board, I hope you will try and explain this to the Church.

If I have not made this clear kindly let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

July 3rd, 1900.

To the  
Members of the  
Western India Mission.

Dear Friends,-

Some time ago there was offered a prize for the best missionary essay, by The London Christian, and it was suggested that we send a statement of it and its conditions to our different Missions with the thought that possibly someone of our missionaries might not only compete for the prize, but win it. I herewith enclose the statement.

I also, in obedience to the suggestion of the Board, send you a printed copy of "The Distinct Missionary Responsibility" which I know you will find interesting, and which we hope will be instrumental in stirring the churches to renewed effort.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

(Enclosure)





July 30, 1906.

Mr. George Alexander,  
Sangli, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mr. Alexander:-

I intended writing you when I sent word to the Mission of your appointment for a term of three years in connection with our Western India Mission, but after having written to the Mission and to Mr. Wilson, it slipped my mind.

I am very glad to welcome you as one of our workers and trust that you will find <sup>at</sup> Sangli the opportunity which you desire, and together with the other members of the Mission, will be able to serve the Master by tending those who are His children. I think it sometimes seems when one takes up industrial work, that it is not on a par with the work of preaching and teaching, but you will find that it can be lifted up into very high dignity if you do it so that it is not the kind of work one does, but the way in which it is done, that makes it valuable. Surely it is a great thing to be brought into touch with the lives of young men and to have the power of helping them.

I shall hope to hear from you from time to time, and be glad to assist you in any way that is in my power.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very sincerely yours,



July 3rd, 1906.

Rev. J. M. Irwin,  
Kolhapur, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mr. Irwin:-

Your letter handing in your resignation has been brought before the Board, and as I have already communicated to the Mission, has been accepted.

I feel as if I must write you a personal note telling you that we are to have you sever your connections with our Board, but it would seem to me that you and Mrs. Irwin as the teachers of the children of the Maharaja, have a special opening. I am very glad to know that this opportunity has come to you and that you are to be relieved of some of the strenuous work of the Mission, because it seemed to me for some time that your health did not warrant your continuing the heavy work you were trying to do. I shall hope to hear from you from time to time, in spite of the fact that we are no longer in direct relationship, and I trust that your health will soon begin to improve in doing this lighter work.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very sincerely yours,



July 11th, 1906.

Dr. Victoria E. McArthur,  
Alta Vista, Kansas.

My dear Dr. McArthur:-

Your letter is received and I do regret exceedingly that the hot weather has retarded your progress towards recovery. You know from your own experience how subtly the nerves relax their duty and almost before we know it, warn us that we must take care. You probably also have been told, if it is hard for you to realize it, that the way back to health is not ordinarily so apparent a process. It takes a long time to get up a hill which we came down very quickly and I appreciate fully that you must go very cautiously. I will bring the matter before the Board and will only say that you must not be discouraged if it seems a long, slow pull, for it is certain to be a winning fight if one is patient. The question, of course, will have to be decided on a medical basis, and I think that probably, if I can judge by former actions of the Board, that they will extend your furlough for a shorter period than a year with the understanding that at the end of that period, we are to have further communication with you. It is not quite our custom to vote for such long additions to the furlough.

I received yesterday, I assume at your suggestion, a letter from Dr. Leila E. Andrews, in which she says it is very vital for you to take care of yourself and raises the question of your return. I think, for your own peace of mind, I would not try to settle the question now. Take an extended furlough, so far as the Board has

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low, think as little of yourself as you can, keep bright, and if strong enough, do a little for somebody else, and the light will surely come. I just had a letter from another one of our missionaries, who is going through your experience, and I cannot refrain from quoting you his prescription, for it is common-sense and does not at all minimize his duty. He writes as follows:

"It has been my mission in life to influence people to believe on Christ and His teachings and to take away some of the sorrows and the pains that His people have to bear in this world. It absorbed absolutely all of my time and attention, but during the past months since I have been laid aside, I have tried not to think about it and have looked on the world only as a big play-house to play in and to enjoy and now, with returning health and strength comes returning energy."

I know you will understand my quoting here that I do not minimize the passion which we put into Christ's work, but we will do better work later on if we learn the lessons of the play-house when God has providentially put His hand on us and says that we must not stay in the work-shop.

With best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours,





July 13, 1908.

Dr. Winifred E. T. Heston,

Battle Creek Sanitarium,

Battle Creek, Mich.

My dear Dr. Heston:-

Just a word to thank you for your letter written July 6th. I, also, was sorry that in the rush of work here I had so little chance to talk with you and learn at first hand some of the things I have been desiring to know, and which were reflected to me through your letters and reports to the annual meeting. I am, indeed, in very close sympathy with you and with the burden as well as the blessings which attend your work.

My suggestion is that you do absolutely nothing except try and rest. I quoted yesterday in a letter a sentence which was written to me by one of our missionaries, who has over-worked, and which seemed to me to be full of wisdom, although at first a little startling in the way it was put. I commend it to you.

"It has been my mission in life to influence people to believe in Christ and His teachings, and to take away some of the aches and pains that His people have to bear in this world. It absorbed absolutely all of my time and attention, but during the past months since I have been laid aside, I have tried not to think about it and have looked on the world only as a big play-house to play in and to enjoy, and now, with returning health and strength comes returning energy."

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Very sincerely yours,



July 18, 1906.

The Rev. Henry A. Kernen,  
 American Presbyterian Mission,  
 Ratnagiri, Bombay Presidency, India.

My dear Mr. Kernen:

I hasten to answer your letter written on June 11th so that you will have it before you leave, although I have answered your question by cable.

The matter contained in the letter was considered by the Council, meeting in the Summer for the Board, and it was voted to grant your request and to pay 900 rupees for one-half of your return expenses. I think, however, that your statement of the fact is just a little mistaken for I do not understand that Mrs. Kernen has been four years in our service and that when she came over from the Congregational Board we paid a certain proportion of her expenses to them. However, we are not inclined to question this fact, our particular regret being that you and Mrs. Kernen feel that you cannot longer work in our Western India Mission. I have often thought in reviewing the situation that it would be a great joy to me if I might say a word that would enable you and Mrs. Kernen to continue in the work. Of course, I do not know all the inner workings of your problem, and whether or not your situation is such that you could be happy, but if as I understand it is a question rather of doctrinal difference than anything else, it does seem to me that in all these changing times when there should be so much liberty granted in the matter of non-essentials that if questions upon which you differ could be allowed to slip into some quiet corner of your mind and be comfortably tucked away there while you go eagerly in the name of Christ into service, that probably many things that were once



The Rev. Henry A. Kerner:

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restless might become of very little moment.

I have found in my own experience and with many others that the surest solution of intellectual difficulties was earnest and ~~great~~ participation in active work and the attempt to help somebody else straighten out his questionings. Of course, it may be possible that the trouble is not entirely with your questionings but that the Mission may feel that you ought to resign. I have not been so informed and so I write as I do.

I am glad to hear that while you have been suffering from the heat that you are all well, and I hope the little baby will be able to get safely through the hot weather. It is always tough on the little ones.

With kindest regards and trusting you will understand how frankly I have written to you, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

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July 21, 1908.

Miss Victoria E. McArthur,

C/o Mrs. B. J. Ross,

Alta Vista, Kansas.

My dear Dr. McArthur:-

Just before going away I write you to tell you that at our Council meeting, acting for the Board, last week, we granted you a continuation of your furlough for six months from the date of its expiration, with the understanding that at the end of that six months, we will take up again the matter of further extension. In the meantime I trust that you will give yourself no anxiety but as assiduously as you can give attention to getting well and regaining your health.

I wish that I could convey to you the feeling that is in my mind, and which I have seen exemplified in a good many cases. At some times the enforced idleness which comes from failing health may be used as an opportunity for deepening the spiritual life. This was notably so in the case of Dr. Gunsalus of Chicago, and I have in mind a friend who was ten times as strong after an enforced idleness as before.

This is what I am praying for you and trust that it will be realized.

Very sincerely yours,

*Stanley White.*



July 21, 1908.

The Rev. A. L. Wiley,

"The Akron,"

Center and Craig Sts., Pittsburg, Pa.

My dear Mr. Wiley:-

I have been to the Treasurer's office to find out about the offerings from Fulton, N.Y., for the Orphan Fund.

Miss Behr tells me that it is impossible to identify this offering as distinct from the stream of offerings coming in from the Sunday Schools for these purposes unless we have a little sufficient date. Can you tell me the day upon which this offering was made, then it will be easy for us to answer your question. I think I can in general tell you what was done, but this must not be considered authoritative.

The fund for an orphan, if at Betnagiri, would be put in our Famine Orphan Fund and the Station at Betnagiri would be notified that such an offering had been made and told of the amount. However, I will have the matter looked up further when you give me the necessary information.

Very sincerely yours,

Stanley White.

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Translation: Board consents to request as per Kernan's letter of June 11th.

PLEASE READ CONDITIONS AT BACK AND WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS FOR REFERENCE.



August 4th, 1908.

Miss Marie L. Gauthay,  
Islampur, Satara District,

INDIA.

My dear Miss Gauthay:

Your good letter of July 1st is just received.

I am giving it to Dr. White. I know very well that you had not meant to criticize, but I could not do otherwise than to report to you what had come directly to us, which can be regarded as all settled now.

Dr. White has let me read some of the letters from the Settlement. We have heard from other sources of the difficulties which you and Miss Shilton and Miss Reinisch feel pressing upon you. Let us hope and believe that in the goodness of God all will work out right. I only hope that you will not suffer at all in health through any inadequate provision for your support. If you find that it is not possible to maintain health and efficiency on the present salaries, I hope you will write frankly to Dr. White, as he would wish you to do.

I have just been reading a missionary biography which has helped me a great deal and in which you would be interested. It is Bishop Thoburn's life of his sister, Isabella Thoburn, who was one of the two first missionaries of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and who went out to India in 1830 and died in Lucknow, where she had done her great life-work, in the Fall of 1868, just a few months after returning from a visit home and attending the Ecumenical Conference. Miss Thoburn didn't keep any diary, and she didn't preserve papers which a biographer could use, so that there is very little of the detail which one enjoys in many biographies. But, on the

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After lunch, she talks through leaving the character "well" and not as shown by accidents and incidents, and the last words are to be "strong" being so full of reflections and reflection of incidents, as related to the "strong" and "well". The words Miss Fitcher were very much alike: "strong" "well" and "strong" and "well", but without the emotional weight of the "strong" and "well" and "strong" and "well" in any Methodist. As you know, Miss Fitcher's great work was to build up the new Christiana, North Carolina, and the great educational institution for women in India. As a distinguished educationalist, she speaks of her successes as an educationalist:

"There is a rich and powerful movement which is moving the world of female education, on the one hand, and a far more rapid growth, greater or other resources, on the other. Both had the same object in view and both were in the same field, but the same movement succeeded where the other failed. The whole case is simply a marvel. It is a picture worthy of the best scientific study."

I remember Miss Fitcher speaking once at Northfield, at a Women's Conference there. She was very quiet and direct, but there was under it all a tremendous glow that had held on and had held me in a vice. I have just been reading a report of a Bible School held in the States last December, where the closing address of "The Secret of the Invisible" urged these five points:

"Take full use of other people.  
Meditation before God,  
Soft invincibility,  
Sociability towards men  
Finally, cherish an inveterate idealism."

It seems to me that these were exactly what we found in Miss Fitcher, with a great, deep, patient devotion underlying them. Miss Fitcher had written, at the time of the Ecumenical Conference, "The Invisible Church," and was a better recommendation of her work than any segment in words. I was present at the dinner at the time of the Ecumenical Conference then, after Miss Fitcher spoke ex-President Harrison rose, with tears on his cheeks, and said:

"If I had ever had a million dollars and had spent it all on foreign missions, and this young woman were the only result, I should feel amply repaid for my investment."



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In a chapter of Recollections, at the close of the book, Miss Singh writes:

"One of the things which often struck me as remarkable about Miss Thoburn was her wonderful patience with all sorts of bad conditions of men. Do you remember that poem of Dr. Bair Mitchell's on the face of Christ in one of the famous pictures in a certain European gallery? I forget the rest of the poem, but the lines in it - no, one line does it - will come to me again and again as - and I see Miss Thoburn's patience with trying people. She herself had read the poem to me; and I followed her true eye that gave the patience of eternity." I have found myself repeating to myself when seeing her dealing with trying people, 'the patience of eternity.'

One of her favorite texts during these last few years was, 'That in all things He might have the pre-eminence.' I venture to make another quotation from one of her letters; 'We must commit ourselves to the love and will of Christ that He may rule in every deed. If He sits on our table; if He speaks to us in our rooms; if He is pre-eminent in all things, our fear of His wrath and His honor will cover us - but out of sight - even the thought of our little troubles from that feelings, even though we suffer positive wrong and injustice.'

"I am a poor creature," Miss Singh quotes Miss Thoburn as having written once, "yet no matter, for in Christ I can work; and if I were strong and wise, I could do nothing without Him." Such a life is a thorough tonic to one. If others have been so strong and calm in God, it makes me feel I also can be.

With kind regards to you and your associates and to Mrs. Wilder,

who I understand is now very feeble, I am

Your sincere friend,

August 30th, 1908.

Mrs. James M. Gohsen,  
Wooster,  
Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Gohsen:-

I have just received from the Western India Mission the report of a special meeting at which action was taken concerning you, as follows:

"Whereas, the Mission has learned with great regret of Mrs. Gohsen's decision to remain in America,

Resolved - That we urge upon her the desirability, for the sake of the work, of her return to the field when the way is open."

At a meeting of our Council yesterday, in speaking of this matter, I was requested to write to you, conveying to you the desire of the Mission, and saying that we are heartily in sympathy with it, and that any time that you feel constrained to return we should be glad to consider the matter. Of course, the question of the additional salary which would be required would have to be faced, but we feel that that could probably be managed in case you desired to return.

Trusting you may realize how much we feel you have done for the work, both in service and in sacrifice, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

*Stanley White*



August 21st, 1908.

The Rev. Alexander S. Wilson, Secretary,  
Western India Mission,  
Kodoli, Bombay Presidency, INDIA.

My dear Mr. Wilson:-

I send just a word to acknowledge the receipt of the Minutes of the special meeting of the Western India Mission, and to tell you that the matter of Mr. Alexander has been adjusted in accordance with your request, he having been appointed for three years to the industrial work at Sangli; and that his salary is to be paid from the unexpended portion of Mr. Irwin's salary. Of course, another year he should be put in the estimate sheets in the place of Mr. Irwin.

I have also communicated with Mrs. Gohsen by letter, acquainting her of your action and telling her that the Board is entirely in sympathy with it and would be glad to take it up at her pleasure.

I thank you for the list of forthcoming furloughs, which I will find of very great service.

The reason you have not seen any reference in my letters to the matter of changes in the Manual is simply that the question has not been adjsted, owing to the long delay in getting answers from the various Missions and the difficulty of dealing with so complicated a question by our Board. We have at last received answers from a number of the Missions. The only Missions which have taken action supporting the proposition of the Western India Mission have been South China, Syria, and East Shantung. The Hunan and West Japan and the Teheran Station of the East Persia Mission (the Mission having held no meeting this year) have voted not to take the



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suggested action, and the Minutes of the following Missions make no reference to the matter at all: East Japan, Korea, North China, Central China, Punjab, West Persia, Mexico, Central Brazil, Colombia, Kiang-an, Hainan, Philippines, Siam, Laos, North India, West Africa, Guatemala, Southern Brazil, Chili. While the Board has not taken any formal action, it would seem that, with the situation as thus noted, we could hardly approve the request of the Western India Mission, and the Council has voted to make this recommendation to the Board. A Minute will be drawn up, setting forth the reasons for this action, and this will be sent to you in due time. This will show you the way the matter is turning, and will indicate how carefully and thoroughly it has all been considered.

I am just about starting for a few weeks vacation, and will take up these matters more fully when I return.

Very sincerely yours,

*Staley White*



